

After.....days, return to

Same old address

Co.....Regt.....
Hancock Branch,
AUGUSTA, GEORGIA.



*Mrs. H.C. Quigley
Belleville
Penn.*





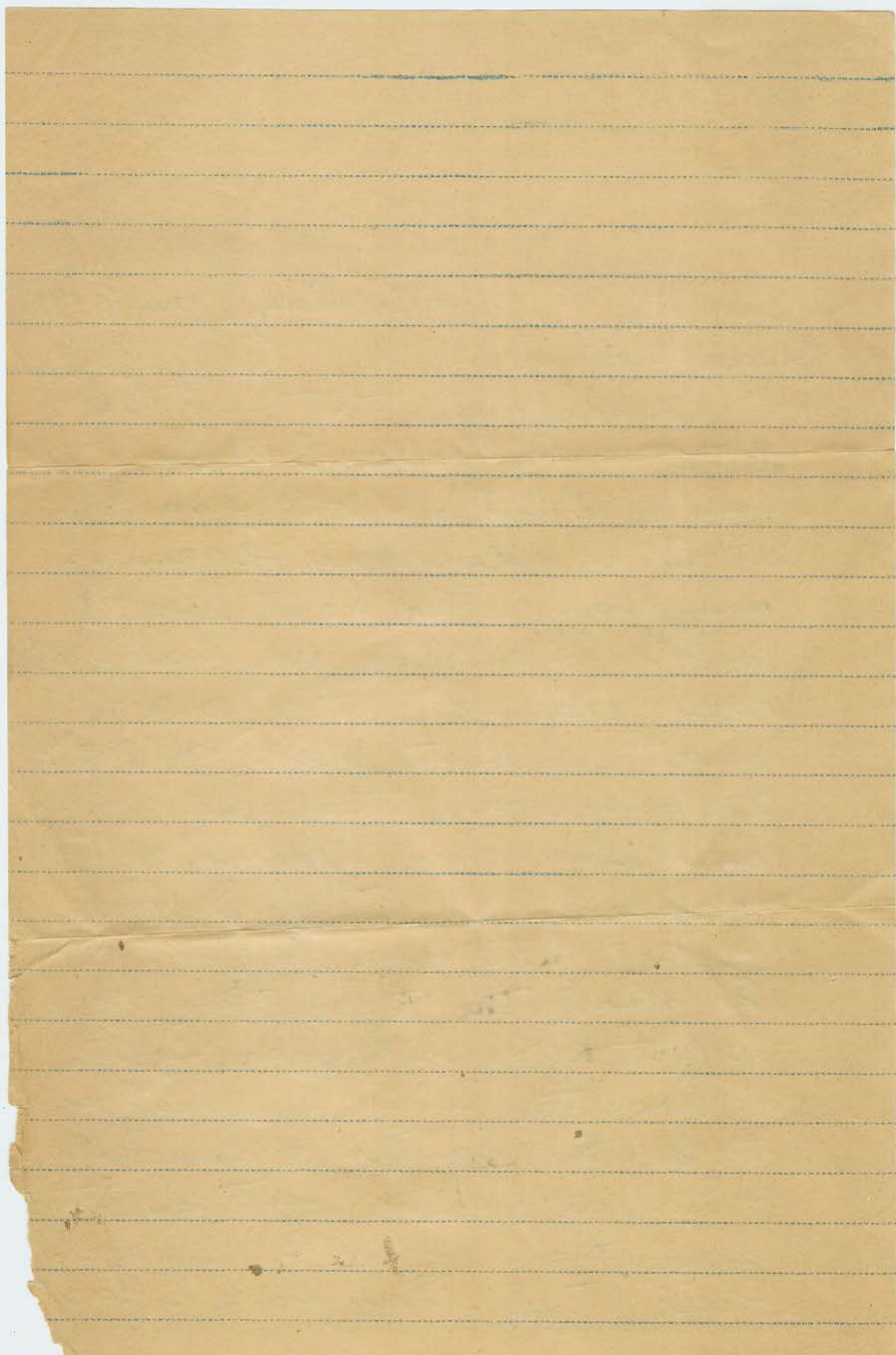
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Wednesday, Jan 8, 1918

Dear Mother:-

I believe that is the correct date but I have no way of finding out exactly. It is Wednesday evening anyway. The last time I wrote I believe we had just been ordered out of our "quarters" into mess hall 1333. At any rate, that is where we have been living, or rather keeping our stuff. I have a cot here but tonight will be about the third time I have slept here. Shaffer, Bolton & Rossiter live in what used to be the pantry & Ben Thorne & I live in the kitchen itself. Some others live in the mess hall itself. Any place is bad





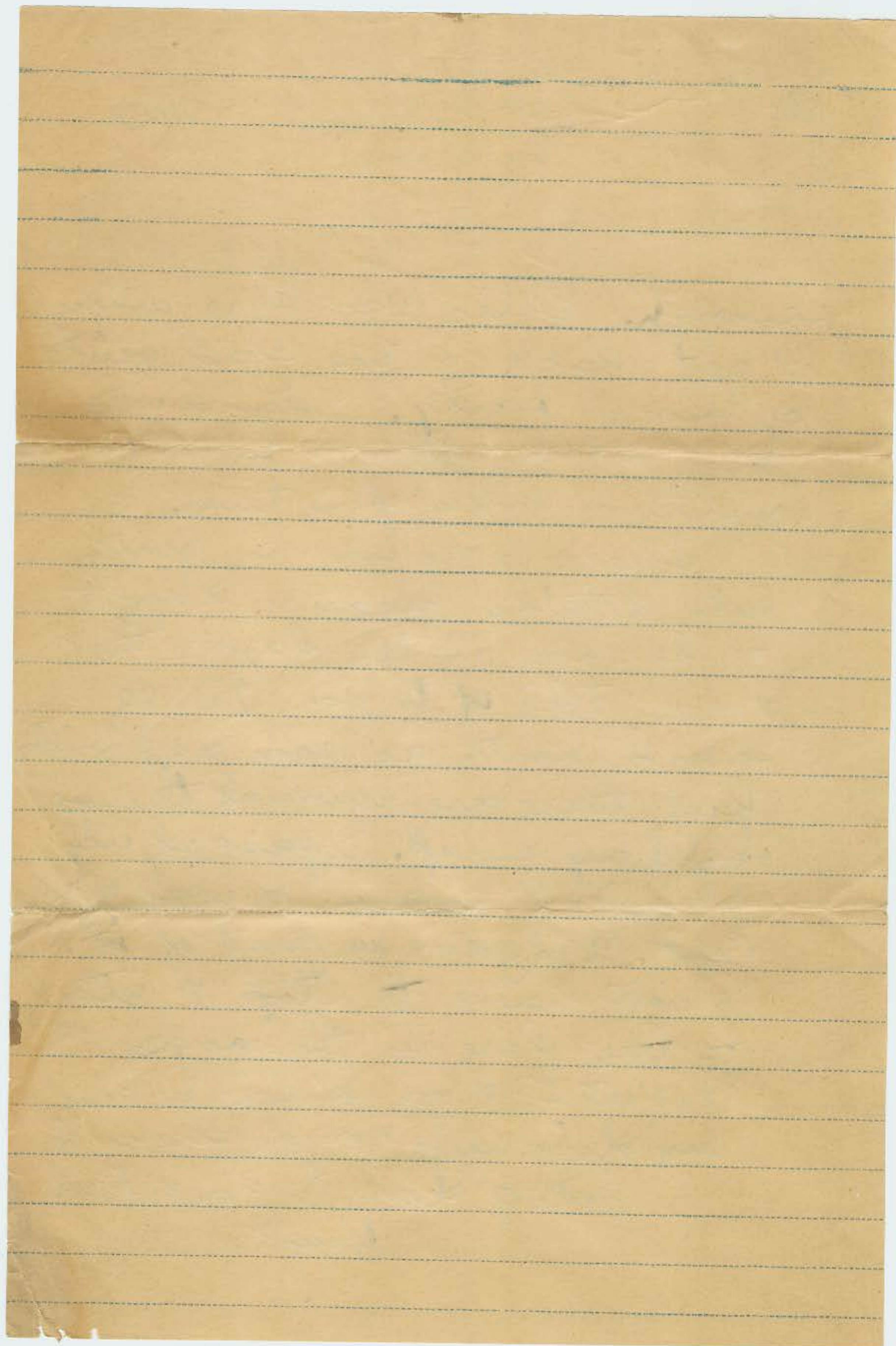
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enough. Ellis was here when I got back & we had quite a house party. I stayed with him at the Allen's house two nights & had a fine time.

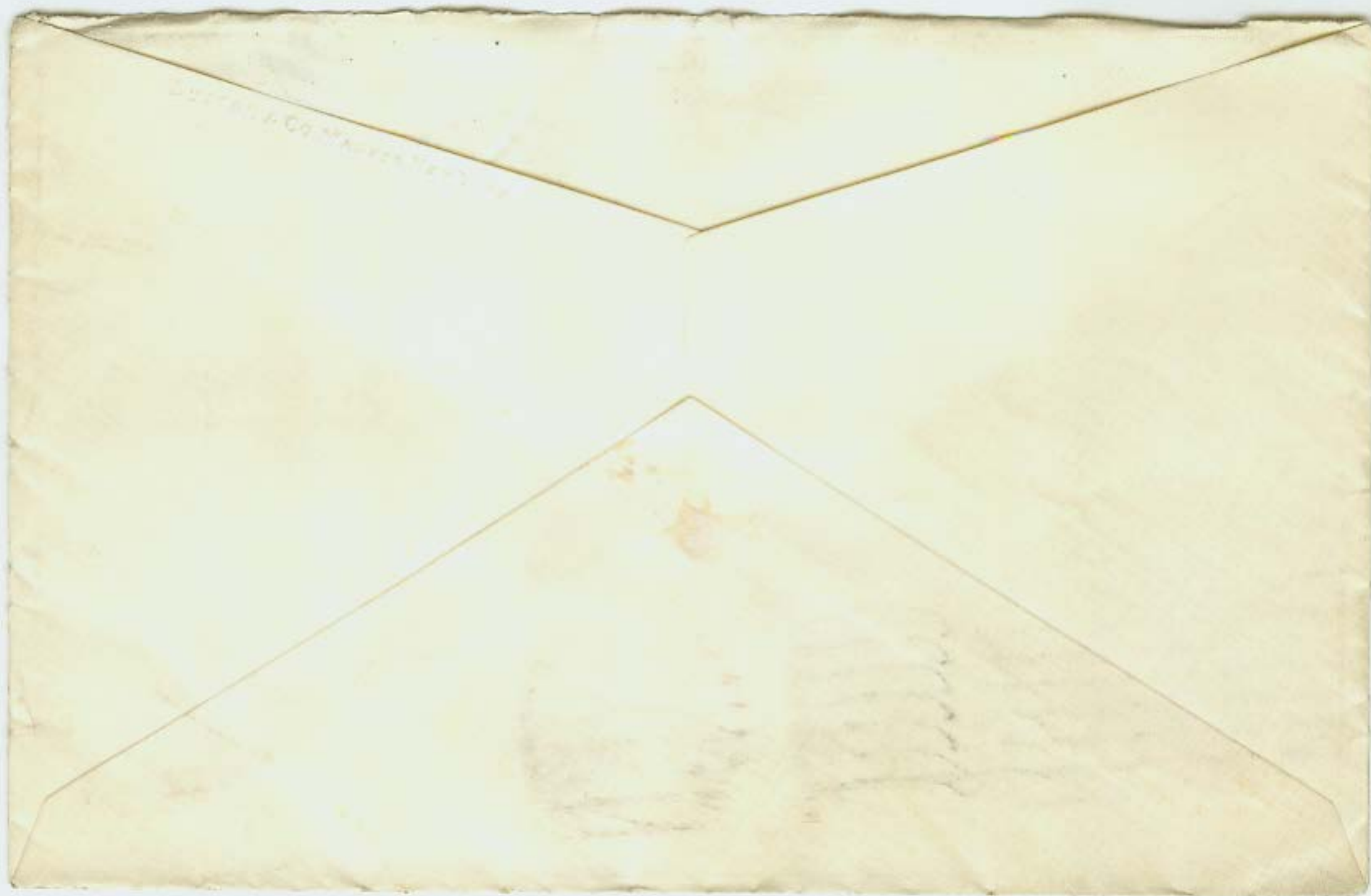
There is no use in going into details because I ought to be home in ten days & then I can tell it to you. I will head north as soon as possible but there are several things holding us up. I passed my physical exam a week ago. Capt. Ard gave me part of it. I will have to stop & attend to the fire in the range.

I will let you know when my discharge comes around.
Lots of Love to you & Dad.
Hugh.





Mrs. Henry C. Ziegler
Belleville
Pennsylvania



away and then it
wouldn't leave from school
until six o'clock so if
its postmarked Summit
you'll know I arrived safe.
I'll try to write something
during the week.
Loads and loads of love-
many.

P.S. Don't forget my
good-bye to Maggie
and Rebecca and if
you see my brother
Scotty say good-bye to
him too and everyone
else I should have seen
and didn't. many.

Dearest mother -
So far I've had an
awfully nice journey. The
train was waiting at
Lock Haven for me and
Ruth and her two brothers
and Bicky Herlock and a
boy named Bud Fredericks
and I had loads of fun
as far as Williamsport. I
slept well and had
breakfast at the Pennsylvania
Station with Ruth and her
chaperone from school.
The train was two and
three quarters of an hour
late so I arrived here at

has said she wants me
to come in and see her
as soon as we can
arrange it conveniently
whether I can or not I
don't know.

The berth was exactly
two dollars. The same
porter was on the train
and he asked me if I
had had a nice vacation
and when my sister was
coming back and if we
made our connections going
home before Christmas
and when we were coming
home for Easter in every-
thing. Don't that funny?

I don't think I'll
write anymore and read
this when I get to the
station at Summit cause
I'll have to go to school right

11:00 am at eleven and
there is no train to Summit
until twelve. I called up
school and told them I
was out about one o'clock. Ruth
Griffin is really an awfully
nice girl. We sat up for
a little while and talked
and I like her lots. It was
freezing cold on the sleeper
this morning and I'm hardly
warm yet. I have half an
hour more to wait and
I don't know how to amuse
me unless I sleep.

It seems so queer
to be back here this far
and every prospect of
getting farther in a little
while. I certainly did hate
to leave out I'll be back
almost no time - the
way the days fly. Ruth

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Tuesday, Dec 31, 1918

Dear Mother:

The trip south was extremely enjoyable, strange as it may seem. At Lock Haven I went out to see Aunt Sarah & her family, and Helen & I went up to the Griffen's house. Ruth & Lou were there & we danced, made soup, and had a good time in general for about two hours. Then we went around to Uckelick's but there were no lights downstairs so we went back to the house. Aunt Sarah & Helen stayed up till about 12:15 although I begged to be allowed to leave & let them get some sleep. Adeline & Sarah were in bed waiting to see me before going to sleep and they certainly are a cute pair of kids. Sarah exclaimed about the boots & wanted

to know if it was raining. Then she said that I must have been wading in water.

Ruth Griffen is really a very nice girl, but the whole family seems to be very old for its age. Ruth will be 16 in January!

That naval aviator I rode to Lock Haven with is an old Academy boy named Hopler, + one of the toughest birds that ever honored Jimmy's institution with his presence. He was there before I was.

There was just one upper berth on the Washington car that was unoccupied, but that was all I needed, so I was very comfortable. In Washington Ben + I spent most of the morning driving around the town in his Marmon + that surely is a beautiful city. We drove through the parks, the zoo, + all around the city and I saw all the points of interest. Then we had a luncheon party at the Thorne



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house, at which Mrs. Theron, Major Leonard, a D.M. captain, Louise Theron, Misses Bromwell & Lee, Ben & myself were present. The girls could talk your ear off if given a chance, so it was a very lively party. Louise is Ben's sister & the Major lives at the house - some relative or other. He lost an arm in the Boxer campaign in China. He is a major in the Marines, retired, who has been to France in Insurance work. He can drive a car better than most two armed men, & was offered a chance to enter active service again with his old number which was just below a brig. gen. but he refused.

There is another member of the family - little Ellen Theron - who is a very precocious little girl about ten years old.

After the guests left in the afternoon Ben, Louise, & I drove out to the Walter Reed Hospital & found Mary Harup in one of the wards. She is one of the nicest little pieces of work I ever laid eyes on and everyone around the Hospital seems to love her. It would be a pleasure to be nursed by her, unless one was blind & even then her sweet voice would help a lot. There are all kinds of cripples there but there are visitors all around, so they have a pretty fair time. I would have gone H.W.O.L. on the spot if Mary hadn't been my cousin. She is a peach. That blind flover must have been a fool.

Then we went home & had tea & went to our train. Went to bed early & got up at ten, had lunch & got off in dear old Augusta, where it is balmy & warm. We went to Kieths & there found Elizabeth Allen, Sarah Wade, Ellis & someone



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else drinking sodas at Gardelles,
as usual. I am going down tonight
for something or other in the way
of New Year celebration.

Ben & I arrived in camp about
eight & I found my stuff all
moved out of my tent by Lieut.
Galbraith, who had substituted
there for all manner of desks, files
etc. belonging to his old company
which had gone home. I merely
moved my stuff in Ben's tent &
now I have a new home. Harry used
to live here with Ben till he went
home & it is a very nice tent,
so why worry?

There are only three companies
left in the 6th Group & I am in
the 76th, but you needn't change
my address, as we have to get
our mail at the P.O. anyway.

Ben & I thought we would start off right so we got up for reveille this morning, or rather got up at reveille & went to breakfast but we were out of order, as there was only one other officer at mess & breakfast wasn't ready. About eight o'clock I went up to the 76th Co. to report for duty, but all I could find was the 1st Sgt still sound asleep, so you can see what a demoralized outfit this is. There are about 40 officers attached to each Co.

We take our physical exams on Thursday & I will probably be home about two weeks after that. Nothing to do, & all day to do it in, except make out some more papers & wait for discharge. My pay check ought to be around today. I hope so. I tore Dad's check up as he instructed me to.



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There were all manner of letters, Christmas cards etc. waiting for me here - card from C. Allison, letters from Ellis, Gay Crawford (still in France), Shorty Collins, etc.

I surely did enjoy that short vacation at home. It was just right in every respect, and it was fine to see you all again. You will see me again in a few weeks. There is a special officers meeting in a few minutes & there may be some more news to tell you after it is over.

Nothing happened at officers' meeting except that we were told that the deficit in the officers' mess was so great that \$1.25 a day would be charged, instead of \$1.00, for the month of December & thereafter, and that all officers will move from their

present quarters to buildings 1233,
34 + 35 which were mess halls of the
5th group. They are going to move out
the tables, stoves etc & that is where
we will live. Love outfit!!!

Never mind, it won't last long, & I
will be a civilian soon.

Lots of love to Dad, Mom & Mary.

Your loving son,
Hugh.

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Camp Hancock Branch,
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Mrs. Henry C. Quigley
Belleville
Penn.





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December 18, 1918

Dear Mother :-

Your letter written Monday just this moment arrived, so I will answer it on the spot, though there isn't much of any news to tell you.

Harry Miller leaves at 2 A.M. for Northampton, Mass., and, with the others who leave tonight, just about finishes up the officers who applied for immediate discharge. About three lots a week have been sent home for the past two or three weeks, and another list will be out this evening and it will surely finish up the immediates & perhaps will include some Reserves, but I doubt it, as heretofore the physical exam has precluded the discharge of officers by from one to

three weeks, and no Reserves have been examined yet. So you can see about where I stand. Things are running more smoothly now and I will probably be home a few days after the final physical exam & I may be called to take that exam any day, so you can figure out what chance I have for a leave of absence. Anyway it would be sort of fruitless for me to travel 2000 miles and get back here in time to pack up & go home again, and I might be wanted for that exam while I was home. It seems pretty hopeless to me and I am about resigned to staying here over Christmas. I don't want anything for Christmas and I won't send anyone anything so we will be square. Don't try to send a box. I might never get it.

It would never do for me to stay in the army as far as finances are concerned. December



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is only half over & I am broke, or almost in that state. Boots, ²⁵overcoat, ²⁰mass bill, ³⁰Loan to ³⁵Tom Collins, and numerous trips to Disgusta are responsible for this premature financial collapse. That nearly accounts for my \$115.17 except that I borrowed from Ben Sharon the sum of \$17.00. The day I am paid off to go home I will be rich but until then I am a pauper. If you or Dad could slip me a little Charlie I would be all right & might even send you a Christmas card to get even with you. It hurts me more than you to ask you for money when I am getting good pay, but as I said before, if I were to be in the army here under these conditions for three months more, I would come out ahead.

but it can't be done in three months from date of commission.

Shorty Collins left for home quite some time ago and he may return to college the second semester. I would like to do the same if some of my old friends will be there - like Shorty, Ken Stearns, Eddie Brown, John Radley, etc.

I will see about Dad's cigars & boots tomorrow. Bellefonte is quite the little town with an air post office and all that. Isn't flying the most wonderful thing in the world! Those crazy lunatics that were here surely did enjoy the air & enjoy it.

There is an order to the effect that every ~~officer~~ ^{soldier} shall wear a silver V on his sleeve for every six months he has been in the army & hasn't been to France. That gives me one. I might as well hang a big red sign on me stating "I have only been in



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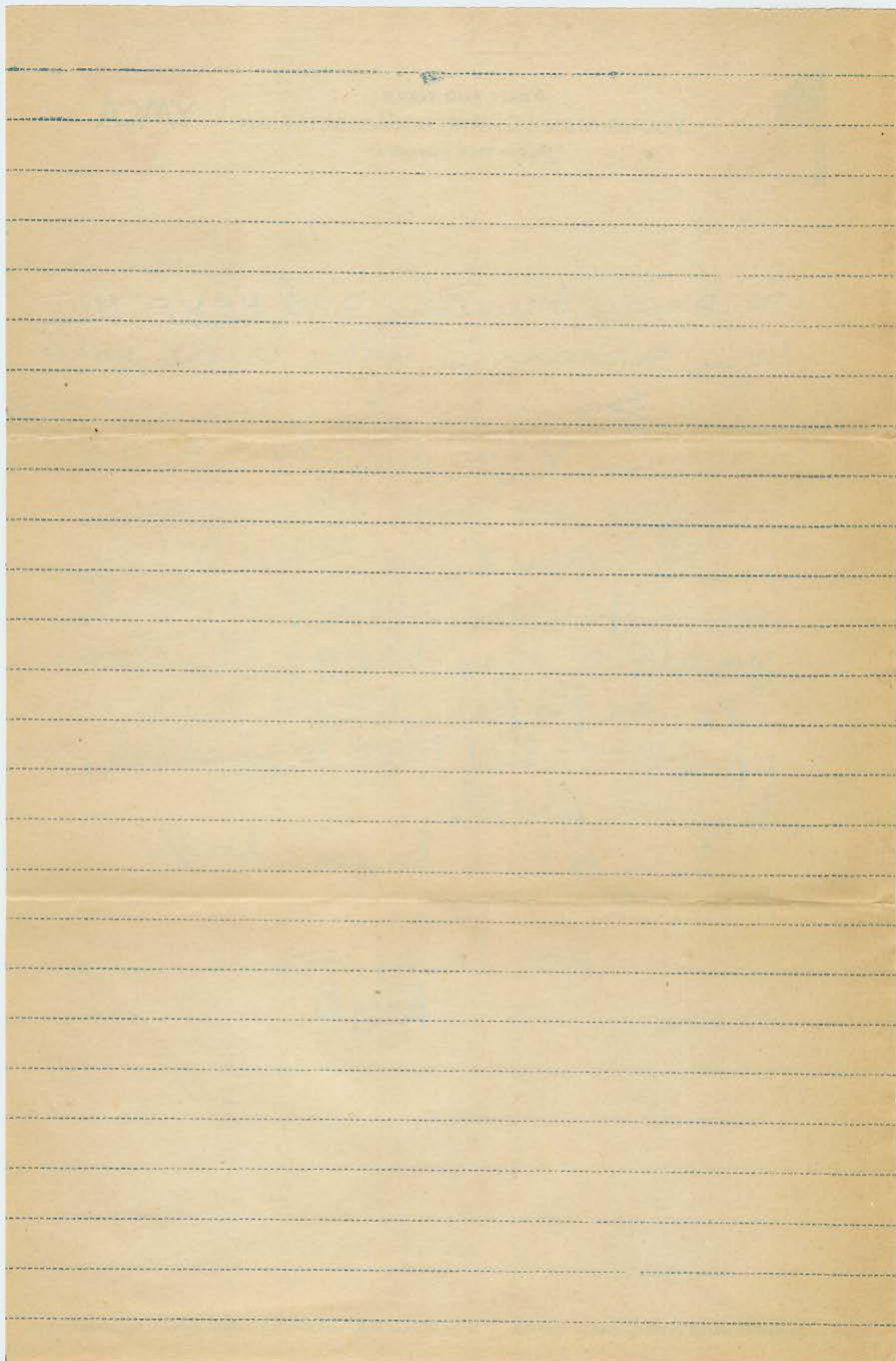


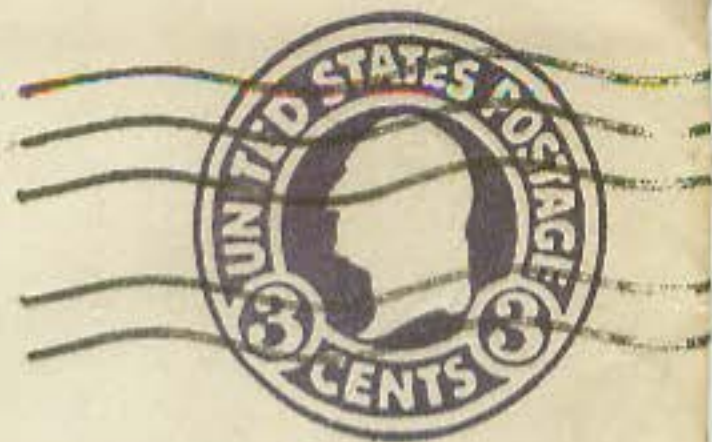
the army 6 months and HAVE NOT
been across". There is one gold
V for ~~for~~ every 6 months in France
+ a blue V for less than 6, so
everyone will be classified.

If I can't be home & tell
you in person, I want to wish
you all a very happy Christmas
etc, on paper. Maybe I will show
up yet — No! that is foolish, even
to wish for it.

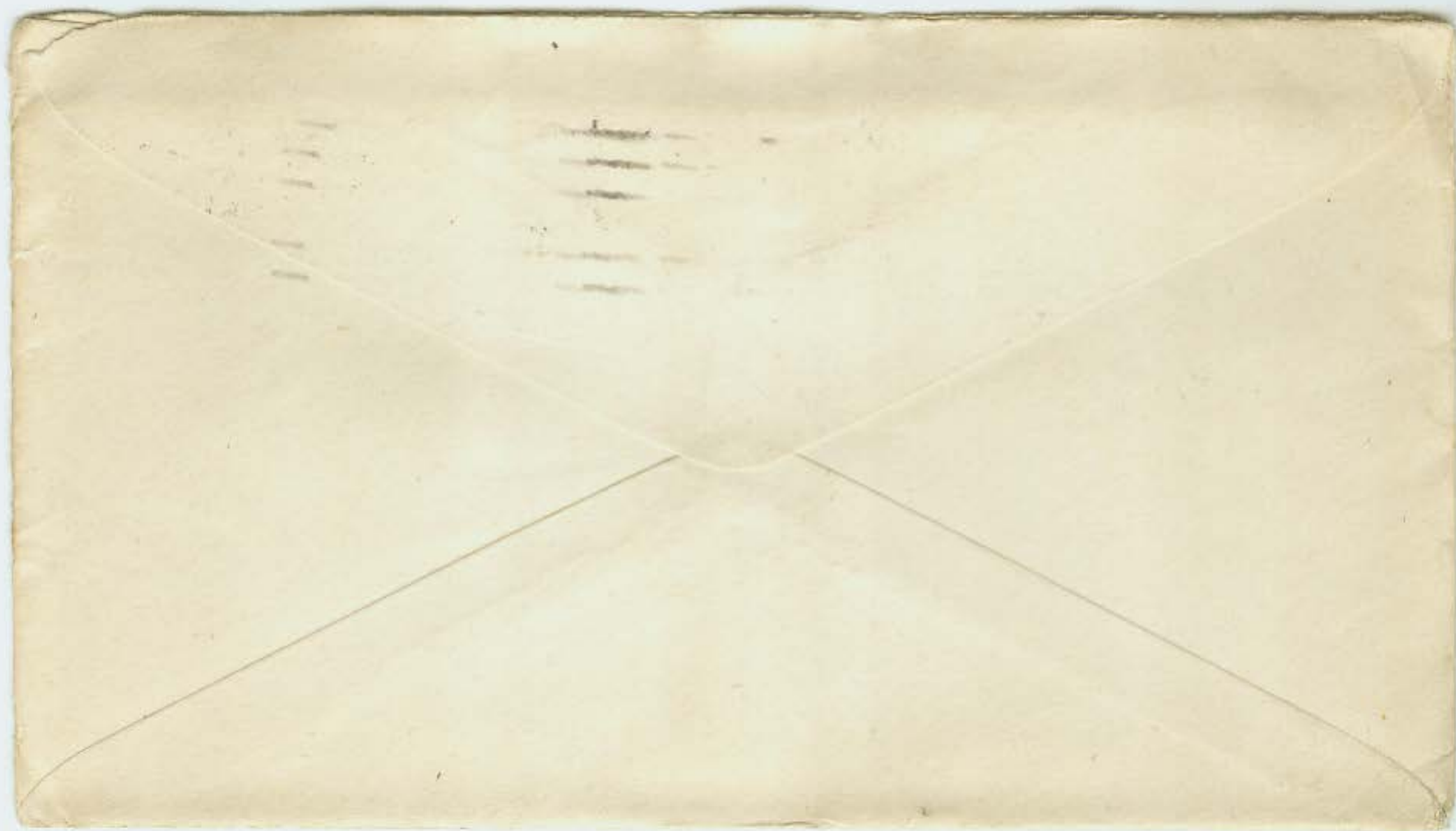
Lots of love to you & Dad &
Henrietta & Mary.

Your loving son,
Hugh.





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Sunday, Dec. 15, 1918

Dear Mother :-

Rumors cannot be relied upon, but there is one I heard from the author himself this morning which is the best yet, & I wish I could believe it. He is Lieut. Singer - the group gossip and senior M.G. instructor of the group, a 1st lieut. - He is one of those birds who invites himself to every company banquet in the group & never misses anything that is going on. Now he spends most of his time hanging around in group headquarters so that he knows more about anything. He is one of the most boring men I ever met - he just hangs around anywhere that looks as if he could get more gossip from it than the next place (Pardon the jumble). He invited himself to our

company banquet & had a speech all ready, too. Well, this morning he told me that all Reserve Officers will be on their way home by this Friday! because they must have all their papers made out by Wednesday. He got that in Group Hqs & said it was absolutely true. I probably shouldn't have told you that, because you will probably believe it and count on it. Take my advice & don't do it. I am not banking on it, but the nearer it draws to Christmas, the more I want to be home. There are only five ways of getting there that I can think of, — by discharge, by leave of absence, by pass, by going A.W.O.L. and by desertion — and the first is the only very ^{attractive} ~~probable~~ one to me, because a 2000 mile trip by train isn't my idea of a good time.

The big reason for my frantic desire to get home is to see you & Dad & the sisters & relatives,



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but there is another reason which just adds a little weight & strength to the aforesaid desire, & that is to be away when Elizabeth Allen is in town. After due consideration this is the way the affair stands. E. Allen & Adele Evans are best friends. E. Allen likes me pretty well & thinks I like her, while Adele thinks I am crazy about Lizzy, whereas, all the time, I don't care at all for E. Allen & I do like Adele pretty well, - she reminds me of Mary. The whole thing is very inconsequent & unimportant but what gets my goat is the way Adele ^{says to} ~~tells~~ me "Wait it be wonderful when Elizabeth gets back!" And she thought it would be fine if she & I would take a train to Thompson (Ga) or

Saturday & there get on the train Elizabeth is coming home on, the idea being that Eliz will be wild with joy & surprise to see her two best friends (Ellis not being around). I would enjoy the ride to Thompson very much but the ride back - PARDON ME! Adele is all right when there are no girls around but when any two (without exception) of the girls I have met in Augusta are together one might as well be in California trying to talk over long distance as to get a word in edgewise to either one of them. Go north, young man, go north! All this may sound foolish & like a girls boarding school but that is just the way it stacks up. Ellis may be here at Christmas & I sincerely hope he is.

By far the best time I have had since I left Lowell & its roller coasters, etc occurred last evening. I made a



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"date" with Effie Broadwalter & Adele for Harry Miller & myself sometime last week to take them to "Turn to the Right" last night. We went to town early yesterday & got a room at the Genesta & saw a couple of movies in the afternoon. We had to hire a car to take them to the show as it was raining slightly. That was the only good show that I have seen or heard of in this town, & it was a peach. The company was very good & the plot was clever, though somewhat impossible. It was a real comedy & the acting was awfully good. Old Mike Donlin, a once famous base ball player, was the star comedian & he had the only genuine line of wit I have

heard around here, except from the other members of the same company. They were all very good. There were bits of tragedy in the play but it kept the whole house laughing throughout the performance. After the show we tried to get a drink but couldn't, so we took the girls home, & put in a beautiful sleep at the Genesta, had a fine breakfast & arrived in camp about twelve o'clock. We met Mrs. Evans before we left for the play & she is a beautiful & very nice woman.

But that trip to Thompson still haunts me. I hope to be "headin' north" by that time, but it is a hope against Fate, against the slowness of everything in the army, and against the unreliability of Lt. Singer's line of gossip "straight from his". I could use as an excuse for prompt discharge the fact that



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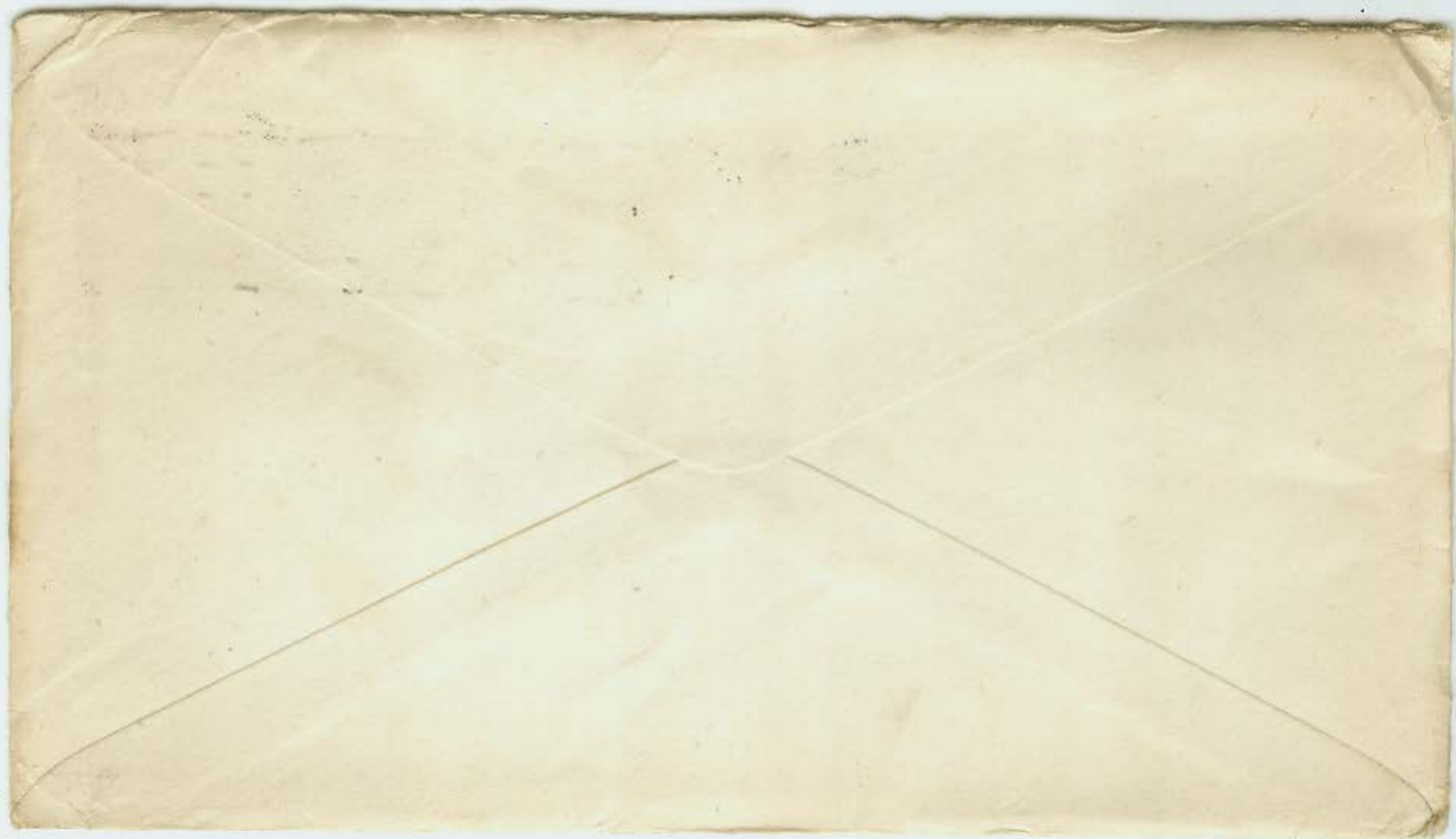
College opens Jan. 2 & I want
a little Christmas vacation before
I go back, & I think I will unless
I get out without any excuse.

However, I will keep you
informed how things are progressing
if they do progress, and don't
expect me home. I don't want to
be absent without leave, but I
sure do want to be home on Christmas
day. I never realized what it
meant to be home at Christmas
as I do now. No, I am not
homesick, but I just want
to see you all & Christmas seems
to be the logical time.

Lots of love to you & Dad,
from your loving son,
Hugh.



JUDGE H.C. QUIGLEY
BELLEFONTE
PENN.



December 12, 1918

Dear Dad:-

Which do you like the best of these cigars, - Blackstone, Chancellor, or Twenty-Four? Those are the three kinds on hand at the S. M. today. They may get more - Garcia Grande or Girard - later, but if you will state your preference of the first three kinds & second choice, or tell me if you don't like any of them, I will be much obliged. They are selling hip boots at the S. M. for about \$4.75 and lots of other stuff at very low prices & if there is anything you want, I will try to get it for you. Please let me know about the cigars as soon as possible so I can get them for sure.

There is no use in my asking for a Christmas leave. They are discharging the officers as fast as they can and if anyone is get a leave, everyone will, because there are hundreds of families as anxious to see their sons as you are, & there are hundreds of officers just as anxious to get home as I am, so there it is. I will apply for a leave, unless I think I will get out before then, but that is all that can be done. I sure would love to get home & see you all, but there is no use trying to get away with anything over anyone else's head. I wouldn't want to do that, if I could.

I wouldn't mind a bit about it.

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I wouldn't mind going back to college for the rest of the year if the Dean would guarantee that I would graduate, but I doubt if he would. It would ~~be~~ not be

worth the expense to go back for another year.
I am behind in two courses - Government &
Rhetoric - & unless they would ignore them
I couldn't get by. ~~If~~ I might be able to
take a couple of extra courses for the rest of
the year & get away with it & I would mind
doing that at all. The trouble is: there is
too much temptation to loaf & it is too easy
to slip along without working very much.
Of course it is up to the man who is doing
the work, but it doesn't interest me a lot
to study - it never did - although I learned
enough about passing courses to get away.
When it comes to trying to make a football
team or getting a Commission or anything
that I really like or am interested in, I
can work as hard as anyone, but when
there are a lot of nice fellows around all
the time, I never could seem to see the
advantage of getting As when Cs & Ds
will let you by. That is the trouble with
the army for me. While we are at war
there is something to work for, but in
peace times what's the use? However, there
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My address still is the same as before - 65th Co, 6th Group, M.T.D., but

the company has moved to the 5th Group. Both groups are in the same group area with two companies on each Co. street. The officers' tents weren't moved & now we have opposite us a new development battalion - some mess - composed of coons, dogs, etc illiterates & all kinds of diseases. They can't be discharged till they are well. It sounds like the monkey house in a zoo to hear them talk.

Don't forget to let me know about the cigars & boots, socks, & anything you can think of you might want that a quartermaster warehouse would have. Don't be encouraged! I may be home in ten days & maybe not for 6 weeks. Captain Ord couldn't get me a leave if he wanted to. He is the Camp Psychiatrist & the medical member of some board or other I think, as far as I can make out, & wouldn't have any more influence with Major McFarigle than I would. I haven't seen him since the day he pulled that one about promotion. He ought to know better.

Lots of love to you & Mother from your

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Lots of love to you & Mother from your
worthless and loving son,

Hugh

no a new beautiful building
composed of cedar, logs, etc.
all kinds of things
like the wooden house in a great
talk.

that I forgot to let you know about the
cigars + boots, + anything
you can think of for tonight would love.
I don't be surprised! I want to be in
the morning.

ten boxes + more for the
Captain and I think you will
want to. It is the camp
+ the western members of some board or other
I think, as far as I can make out, a wonderful
house and more influence with the
than I want. I don't know
the day he pulled that out of his
the night to him better.

lots of love to you + mother
with love and affection
Hugs



Judge Henry C. Shigley
Bellevue
Penn.





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Dear Dad:-

This camp is on its ear for fair now. Beginning Wednesday 125 officers will be discharged daily according to the plans mapped out at Camp headquarters. Only a few of the complete discharges we have left. The next lot leaves on Wednesday and then the ball will be rolling, and in the course of a week or so it ought to reach those who applied for the reserve. The quarantine lifted on everything on Friday and what did they do in the Sixth Group but order everyone to stay in camp over the week end so they could move the group. We were allowed to be

in town from six P.M. Saturday to
reveille Sunday & Lt. Shaffer &
I took in a rather poor show
& had supper in town. But we
have done nothing since the middle
of November but kill time and
try to invent hikes, games, etc
to keep the men busy. When
when the group had to be moved,
they chose Saturday & Sunday to
accomplish it. First the sixth
group had to be shifted around
till all the men from the same
state were in the same company
& then the whole group was
moved today & now occupies
the tents with the fifth group,
about a half mile from here.
The officers didn't move so I
am up the creek, because
tomorrow I have to take reveille
& we won't have any bugles
down here.

On Wednesday the Ordnance
team beat Howard Berry's outfit
6-3 and Howard put up the



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poorest, most unfortunateliike exhibition of foot ball I ever saw besides being entirely responsible for all the scoring on both sides. Conover, the ordnance captain, is the old Penn State end & he was the whole show. He played center & stepped back in the backfield whenever there was any punting to do, & he surely can kick.

For three days last week we saw the best flying I ever hope to see. There were four aviators from Americus, Ga., who stayed at the Lenwood Hotel just outside of camp. They just went up whenever they felt like it & everyone of them just went wild whenever they went up. I never saw such loop-the-loops, corkscrews,

nose dives, & tail spins as they pulled off. One of them especially, just went crazy whenever he went up. He would climb to about 3000 feet and then cut loose and drop, ostensibly entirely out of control, till about 500 feet from the ground, when he would straighten out and glide down on the field and go in to supper.

The army is all right when there is a war on, but excuse me from staying in the army in peace times, unless it was in the Marines or somewhere away from permanent army posts. I would be no good at all in a job where it was possible to loaf, as it is in the army, and I never would earn a promotion. You remember those eleven m.g. instructors who were sent to this group from the O.T.S. on Oct. 20. We were all about to be examined for lieutenants and I would at least have taken the



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exams by now if the war hadn't ended. They called John Anderson up to headquarters & let him know that. I had a fine drag with Capt. Fraser at that time too, but since the war ended it has all collapsed. I never could keep up interest in this game unless there was something going on to work for. The other day I drilled the group for half an hour & had a fine time. The group is formed into a bu. of four big companies each day for infantry drill & that is my long snitz. I just jelled around ~~that~~ filled to my heart's content.

I must stop & go to bed right now—9.30 P.M. Lots of love to your Mother. Your loving son,
Hugh.

After.....days, return to

H. H. M. Wigley
65th Co., 6th Group M.F.D.
Camp Hancock Branch,
AUGUSTA, GEORGIA.



Judge Henry C. Wigley
Belleville
Penn.





ARMY AND NAVY
YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION
"WITH THE COLORS"



Sunday, Dec 1, 1916

Dear Dad:-

It all depends on how fast the War Dept. work whether I am home for Christmas or not. All those officers who put in for immediate & complete discharge nearly went home two days ago. Some of them had their baggage in Augusta & were ready to take a train when an order came out suspending all activity along that line pending the reorganization of the camp. So those poor birds had to settle down again & wait.

What is going to happen now is this: The six groups of the M.T.D. are going to be cut down to one group of 57 officers and 2811 men and all surplus officers & men are going to be

discharged as soon as possible.
There are some 500 officers in
the M.T.D. now, so probably only
those officers who applied for
the Regulars will have to stay.
The other officers & men will
either be discharged here or sent
to the camps nearest their
homes to be discharged there.
They may get around to it before
Christmas & they may not.
All I can do is sit tight &
wait.

Today a box of cookies
& candy came from Capt J.A.B.
Blanchard, Pa. I suppose
Katharine put them up but I
shall write to Grandfather &
let him know how I appreciate
it.

Yesterday Harry Miller, Ben
Thoron & I went down town &
came back disgusted in two
hours. All I got was a hair
cut & my pay check cashed.
Tom Collins was down also



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Looking tougher than ever. He is going to graduate in a week or so & be sent out as a Reserve officer. He has had awfully good marks in the O.T.S. but has also a lot of "skins" for various offenses, such as cutting lectures, etc. I have gone up to see him about once a week since he has been here & he told Saff once that if it hadn't been for my lectures & tips he never would have gotten by. Saff was in the 21st Company for that extra month & Tom is in the 22nd.

I wish I were at home while that ex-convict is around because I would love to go coon hunting with that Col. of mine. Did I tell you that

I went to pistol school for a week and learned a little about the Colt automatic. There were two things that I wanted to learn while in the army which would be useful in civil life, that is, after I found that I wouldn't see France. One was to learn how to handle a pistol and the other was to get some practice in riding. Of course, they couldn't have an equestrian course in this group, even though the other groups do, & an officer can't even get a horse on week ends here.

If you all took a drink of Champagne for me when I was twenty one, what will you do if I come home for Christmas?

Harry, Ben, & I had dinner at the Partridge Inn last night & they put out some dinner. We contemplated sleeping there too, but we walked back to camp upon finding that we could have



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a room with two beds & joint
use of a bathroom with someone
else for \$7.00 a piece! Can
you imagine that? 21 bucks
for two beds & half a bath
room! The Partridge Inn is
about two fifths of the way
from here to town & is a very
nice place but excuse me.

Do you like "Seven Twenty Four"
cigars? They are ten cent
cigars but can be bought
for \$7.00 per hundred at the
Commissariat store connected
with the R.M. If you like them
I can get you some & will do so.
They have several other brands
which I can't remember now.
How did you like those Girards?
I got them at a canteen, but I
don't know anything about

the quality of the different kinds
or your preference. Let me know
& I will buy you a Christmas
present.

I saw Hancock beat Camp
Gordon on Thursday 7-0. Gordon
outplayed our team in every
way but their star, Stuppper,
made a fumble the second play
of the game & our end picked
it up & scored a touchdown
which won the game. Berry
never carried the ball once, but
was laid out in the last five
minutes when he fell on the
ball after a fumble. Hancock
has a wonderful backfield
without him & he had better
not wear a uniform at all
than go out & pull the stuff
he does. Harry Rote, of Gettysburg
College, who substitutes for
Berry at quarterback is a
little marvel and the rest
of the backs are all big &
fast, and they are about every



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of them - Eckberg, Rawson, Foster,
Derr, Kilgore, Cuskey, + others.

The M.G.T.C. team plays
the Ordnance team on Wednesday.
It won't be much of a game as
the Ordnance isn't in the same
class with Berry's outfit.

Conover who used to play end
for Penn State is captain of
the Ordnance team.

If I don't get home for
Christmas, I don't care where
I get out. What I would like
to do is to join the Peruvian
army in its scrap with Chili.
That would be real sport, +
would mean a good job for a
lieut. from the M.G.T.C., U.S.A.
wouldn't it?

Don't let Maggie's bean
start anything around town

and especially keep him
away from the house or make
mother carry my gun around
with her. I don't like to think
of a man like that loose
around the town.

I may not be out of the
army for three months, so don't
be discouraged, but I sure
would like to be home for
Christmas, at least.

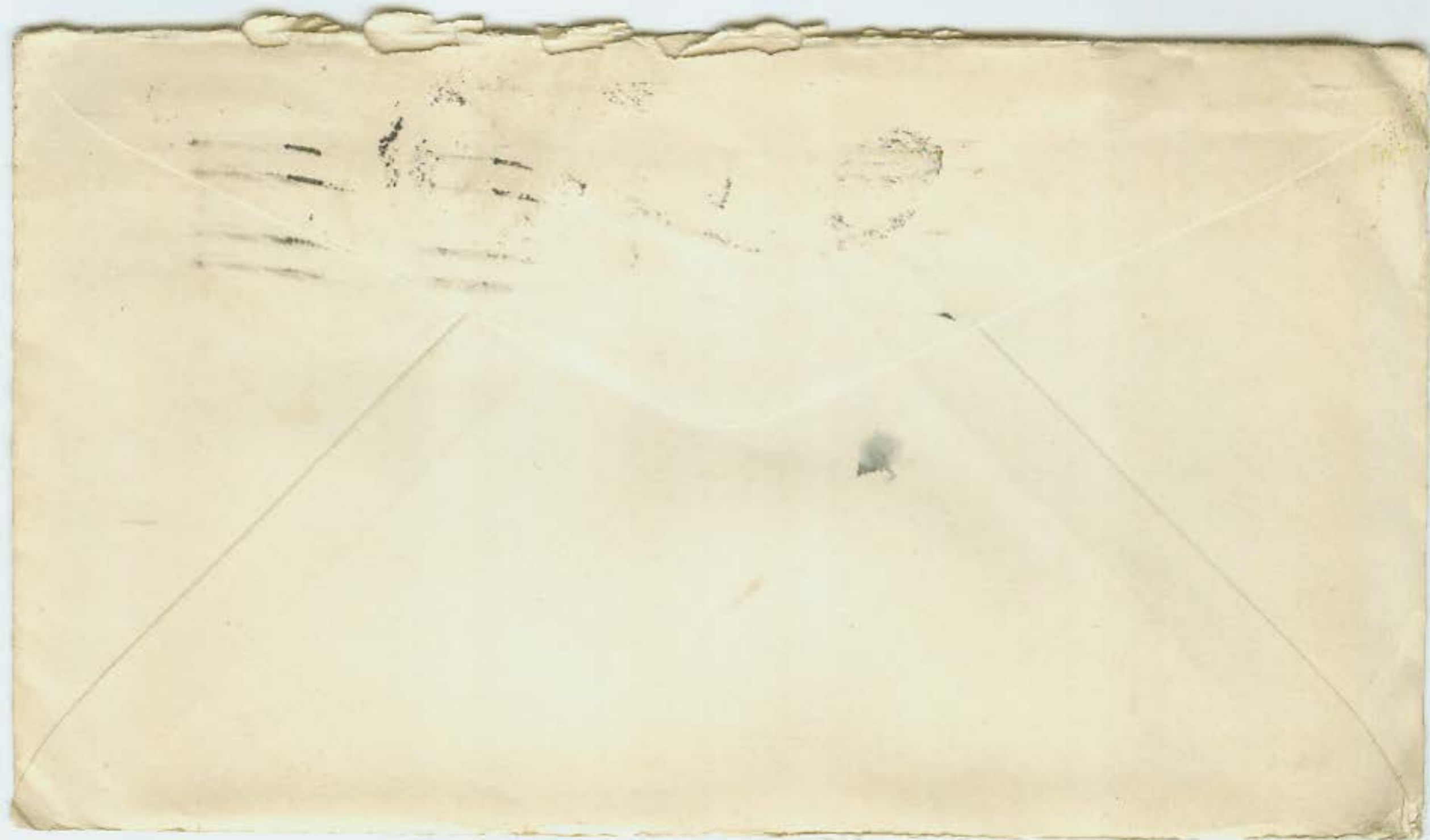
Lots of love to Mother &
any of the Eaglevillains or Lock
Havens you happen to see.
Your loving son,
Hugh.

After.....days, return to

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Co.....: Regt.....
Hancock Branch,
AUGUSTA, GEORGIA.



MRS. H.C. QUIGLEY
BELLEFONTE
PENN.



November 24, 1918

Dear Mother:-

Saff + I took in the dance at the Olwell Hotel, Aiken, S.C. last night. Aiken is a little sprawled out town with streets so wide that you cannot recognize them as streets. The winter visitors haven't shown up, as all the hotels seemed to be closed except the Olwell which is the only hotel open all year. The Aiken Inn is only a big farm house operated for the benefit of soldiers by a big, hospitable land lady, with the assistance of innumerable darkies, large & small, mostly small, and she surely can put out some meals. Dinner costs a dollar + she gave us last night: salad, beef steak, veal, oysters, sweet potatoes, white potatoes, hominy, baked biscuits, pineapple ice + cake, not to mention such things as celery, olives, coffee, milk etc. There must have been thirty there + there was food to waste. And for breakfast we had eggs, ham, hominy, potatoes, sweet + white, hot cakes, biscuits + coffee. The beds were fair enough + we paid 250 apiece for all that. We couldn't stay for dinner today because the only train left at 12.45.

The dance wasn't much of an affair + much more than ever disgusted with Southern girls, although there were a few nice ones there.

Four lieutenants in our company wanted

to bet me \$10.00 a piece that Georgia Tech would beat Pitt, & as usual I didn't have the nerve to take them up, although I had the cash in my pocket, or I would be offhanded now as Pitt just jumped on Tech with all four feet. I was confident all along but too conservative. It does no good to belly-ache after the game, but I never came so near making a big bet in my life. We are going to have a real game here on Thanksgiving, when the M.B.T.C. plays Camp Gordon. Perry will probably answer the cries of the multitude & show them what a wonder he is, but he is the most smelled headed man I ever saw.

Last Wednesday I saw the team beat Charleston Receiving Station & it showed some pretty fine form, although the peerless Howard was on the bench throughout the game.

Where is Lieut Charles M. Scott F.H. U.S.A.? I don't know where to write to him.

And what is Mrs. Gilbert Beaver's address? I may write to her in a day or so & will send the letter in care of the Hospital, N.Y., but I would like to know her address anyway.

I may be home for Christmas & may not. I would like to get outside of that it makes no difference to me as \$4.75 per day is fair enough for any worthless bum. I went to the Pistol School all last week and learned something about the Colt automatic & fired it on the range Friday, besides taking the exam on Saturday. I am now

reclamation officer of the 65th Co. & that means work with turned-in uniforms, etc, although I don't know the particulars yet. By the way you omitted the "65th Co" in the address on your last letter & I thought I was fired when an orderly from Hqs, 6th Group, delivered the letter to me.

We had to sign up Saturday for our preference of Regular Army, Reserve, or Immediate & Complete Discharge. I took Reserve because I couldn't make up my mind, but I think that is my choice anyway. I would like the Regulars but I can't seem to get up nerve enough to make the plunge & apply for it. The Regulars & Reserves are going to be taken on merit & "marked ability" & I may not get the Reserve anyway. I like the Army life very well & probably will wish I was in it when I get out, but Camp Hancock is enough to discourage any ambitious person.

Monday.

Rumors are afloat to the effect that the Sixth Group will be annexed by the Third Group by Wednesday. We are all ready to move, disband, or anything else as far as paper work & the turning in of property are concerned. The way it is now the fourth group is the only one where they have men in training & the others are all skeleton groups - only officers & permanent non-coms. I have been waiting around for two hours trying to find the police officer in order to report as reclamation officer for the company but he is not to be found so I thought I would add a few words to the letter I began last night.

I got an overcoat the other day and it seems to be a good one. It certainly comes in handy in this cold weather. The weather here is just as cold, if not colder, than it is in the north at this time of year. The overcoat cost \$60.00 but I sold my trench coat for \$40.00 so I am all set. The trench coat was fine but it was too short to wear in civilian life & Harry Miller wanted it & it was just right for him. If I couldn't have gotten \$40.00 for it I wouldn't have bought the coat. If I don't stay in the army what do you & Dad want me to do for the rest of the

winter + spring and after that? Let me know what you want. Shorty Collins + I have a good plan for the next eight or nine months but you probably wouldn't favor it with any wild enthusiasm. It is to get a job in an iron mine in Minnesota + work around the country a bit till we find something we like or until we decide what our future occupation is to be. It is hard work in the iron mine but Shorty saved eighty bucks in two months there last summer, + came back a tough egg + that is what I want. I don't want to go to law school particularly, + I don't think I am inclined toward the law at all, but I could try, if you wish. I could still apply for the Regular Army I think, but I would like to hear some ideas from you + Dad first.

If I find I will be here longer than a month I will apply for a Christmas leave, but somehow I feel as though I wouldn't be home for several months yet.

Sometime I will tell you about our 1st sergeant - Ernest Shapely - five years in the marines, five service stripes, wounded seven times + other accomplishments. He knocked a big cook clear out of the orderly room the other day + has told the group commander where to get off several times.

I can't think of any news so this will be
about all for today. Lots of love to you & Dad.
Your loving son, Hughie.

I think of you very much
and hope to hear from you soon.
I am leaving now.

Cotton Ready for Shipment. Aiken, S. C.



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Dear Mother,

POST CARD

Am spending the
week end at the Alden
Inn, & expect to go to
a dance in a few
minutes. This is the first
week I haven't slept
in camp since Sept. 16.

Will write tomorrow
got your letter with
clippings today. I
chose to try for the Reserve
today. We had to decide
between Regulars, Reserve &
out altogether.

THIS SPACE FOR MESSAGE.

Love from Hugh.

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Mrs. H.C. Dingley
Belleville
Penn.

THIS SPACE FOR ADDRESS.



Mr. Quigley
Bellevue
Penn



Saturday, Nov. 16, 1918

Dear Mother:

I suppose you know that Katharine Beaver died on Wednesday night. I got a telegram from Mr. Gilbert Beaver on Thursday and it certainly was a shock to me. She wrote to me about two weeks ago and said she thought she had the flu herself & was going to the hospital. She had been taking care of her Mother while she was pretty ill & just when her Mother was getting better she herself became sick. She was the nicest girl I ever knew - she was fine in every way - attractive, lots of common sense, etc. I immediately wrote a letter to Mr. Beaver but I haven't done anything else. Should I?

The camp is in quarantine for scarlet fever & measles now & everything is as indefinite as ever. Some men who just entered the O.T.S. from civilian life were discharged & sent home. The third Co., which was to have graduated this week, was sent out on a six month's leave no pay & subject to call as 2nd Lt. anytime. I am still teaching officers & foot-ball men and it is all a farce - just a stall for

Saturday, Nov. 10, 1918

Dear Mother:

I suppose you know that yesterday

Deacon died on Wednesday night. I got
a telegram from Mr. Gilbert Deacon on Thursday
and it certainly was a shock to me. He
was born about two weeks ago and said
the thought of his life being so short
going to the hospital, he had been taking
care of his mother while she was getting ill
& just when his mother was getting better
he himself became sick. He was the sweetest
girl I ever knew - and was fine in every
way - a charming lot of character, etc.
I immediately wrote a letter to Mr. Deacon but
I haven't done anything else. Would it
the camp is in quarantine for
leaves there & we shall not do anything
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discharged & sent home. The third group, which
was sent to the hospital, was
sent out on a six weeks' leave as far as
to all our things. I am still
teaching officers & foot-balls were sent
it is all a farce - just a stall for

time. There are no men to train so officers
& non-coms are being kept busy. We
have classes at night & eight hours
work during the day!

I probably never will get out of
this camp now till I am mustered
out. I don't care, just so I don't forget
to put in my pay voucher each month.
It must be in before the 20th of each
month or the officer gets no pay for
that month when the 30th comes around.
I have \$70.00 now, but have to buy
an overcoat. I never told you the
skin game old Col. Westmoreland
pulled on us, did I? He told us that
everything sold by Hahn & Co was
regulation & approved by Gen. Edwards,
so I & hundreds of others, bought a trench
coat for cold or rain. Very nice but a
month later out comes a General Order decreeing
that trench coats shall only be worn in the
rain, but they are still all right in France.
Can you beat that for unreasonableness? So

time. There are no men to turn no officers
& the camp are being kept busy. We
have cleared at night & right down
work during the day.

I probably never will get out of
this camp until I am transferred
out. I don't care, just as I don't fight
to get in my way, no matter how much
it would be in before the lot of cars
would be the officer get no pay for
that night when the 30th comes around.

I have 10.00 now, but have to buy
on account. I never told you the
reasons for old Col. W. W. W. W. W.
Gibbs as he told us that
everything was by the way
regulation & approved by Mr. Chamberlain.
as I am sure of others, might a thing
cost for food or more. Very true but
with later out came a general order saying
that there could only be one in the
rain, but that one will all right in there.
Can you look that for me?

I will have to get an overcoat.

Last Wednesday morning all the officers & non-coms in the 6th group were sent to the long range to fire. All I did was put about 30 non-coms thru the tests. We marched out & back the same day - left here at 6.15 A.M. & got back at 7 P.M., had two sandwiches & an apple for lunch. It is about ten or eleven miles to the range. Good fun. - just to kill time, that's all!

I am very glad that Dad is about again. He surely had a siege. Make him take care of himself all the time.

This morning there is a big competitive M.G. & infantry drill between picked companies of non-coms, so the other officers are off for the day. Each group has a model company in the competition.

I must stop & do a little work. Lots of love to you both.

Your loving son,
Hugh

After.....days, return to

.....

Co.....Regt.....

Hancock Branch,
AUGUSTA, GEORGIA.

Full



Judge H.C. Swigley
Bellevue
Penn.



CENTRAL MACHINE GUN OFFICERS TRAINING SCHOOL
Camp Hancock, Georgia,

October 20, 1918.

Memorandum:-

The following named officers are relieved from duty at this school:-

SECOND LIEUTENANTS

Conner, Campbell
Erwin, Hugh
Goetting, C. A.
Hoyt, H.G.
Hubbard, R.R.
Kennemur, W.E.
Neill, E.C.
Meng, C.D.
O'Conner, E.E.
Oliver, B.W.
Pursifile, H.R.
Sweeney, H.J.
Tipton, F.A.
Watts, S.E.
Worley, G.D.
Hart, W.J.
Collins, E.F.
Edgley, Hugh
Fournier, L.W.
Haughey, J.F.
Huffman, L.J.
Jager, L.E.
Jones, A.H.
Mustard, R.L.
Norton, W.R.
Griffin, H.L.

Blenkle, W.C.
Pfeiffer, F.J.
Wait, C.E.
Walsh, R.S.
Buck, Barrett
Dudan, S.M.
Einstein, R.G.
Fuller, E.H.
Guymon, C.E.
Hutto, L.M.
Kan, H.J.
Kirkham, V.R.
Kistler, F.A.
McCliment, John
Morse, H.M.
Munger, J.S.
Myers, F.J.
Nickum, W.F.
Olsen, F.J.
Robinson, L.L.
Vaughn, Lester
Brown, H.J.
Campbell, S.R.
Jacox, V.J.
Morris, W.C.
Nolen, M.L.

Tankersley, A.F.
Ustrick, W.J.
Anderson, J.A.
Calligan, W.L.
Dunn, J.C.
Leidholdt, H.R.
May, C.M.
Miller, H.W.
Quigley, H.M.
Theron, B.W.
Wilbur, O.M.
Wood, I.T.
Dunlap, Rex B.
Esken, E.W.
Herik, L.M.
Jefferies, E.D.
Kuntz, H.C.
McCarthy, T.J.
McGowan, A.J.
Rothschild, N.K.
Stone, H.J.
Thorsell, W.W.
Williams, G.T.
Thompson, I.W.

The above named officers will be formed in their company street at 9:30 A.M. Monday, October 21st, 1918, and will be marched to building 101 by Second Lieut. H.M. Quigley who will report them at 10:00 A.M. to the Adjutant, Main Training Depot.

A copy of the order of assignment to the Main Training Depot will be furnished each of the above named officers prior to his departure on Monday morning.

The above named officers will not take any of their baggage or other equipment with them when reporting to the Main Training Depot, but will arrange to have their baggage and other equipment taken direct from their present quarters to the ^{new} next company to which they will be assigned.

HEADQUARTERS GROUP NO. 6, M. T. D.
M. G. T. C.
CAMP HANCOCK, AUGUSTA, GA.

Drill Schedule for Week November 4th to 9th, 1918.

7:30 - 8:30 Physical Training.
8:30 - 9:30) Machine Gun Drill
) Fire Orders
9:30 - 10:30)
10:30 - 11:30 Military Courtesy.
1:30 - 2:30 I.D.R. (Extended order)
2:30 - 3:30 Personal Hygiene and 1st Aid.
3:30 - 4:30 Machine Gun.

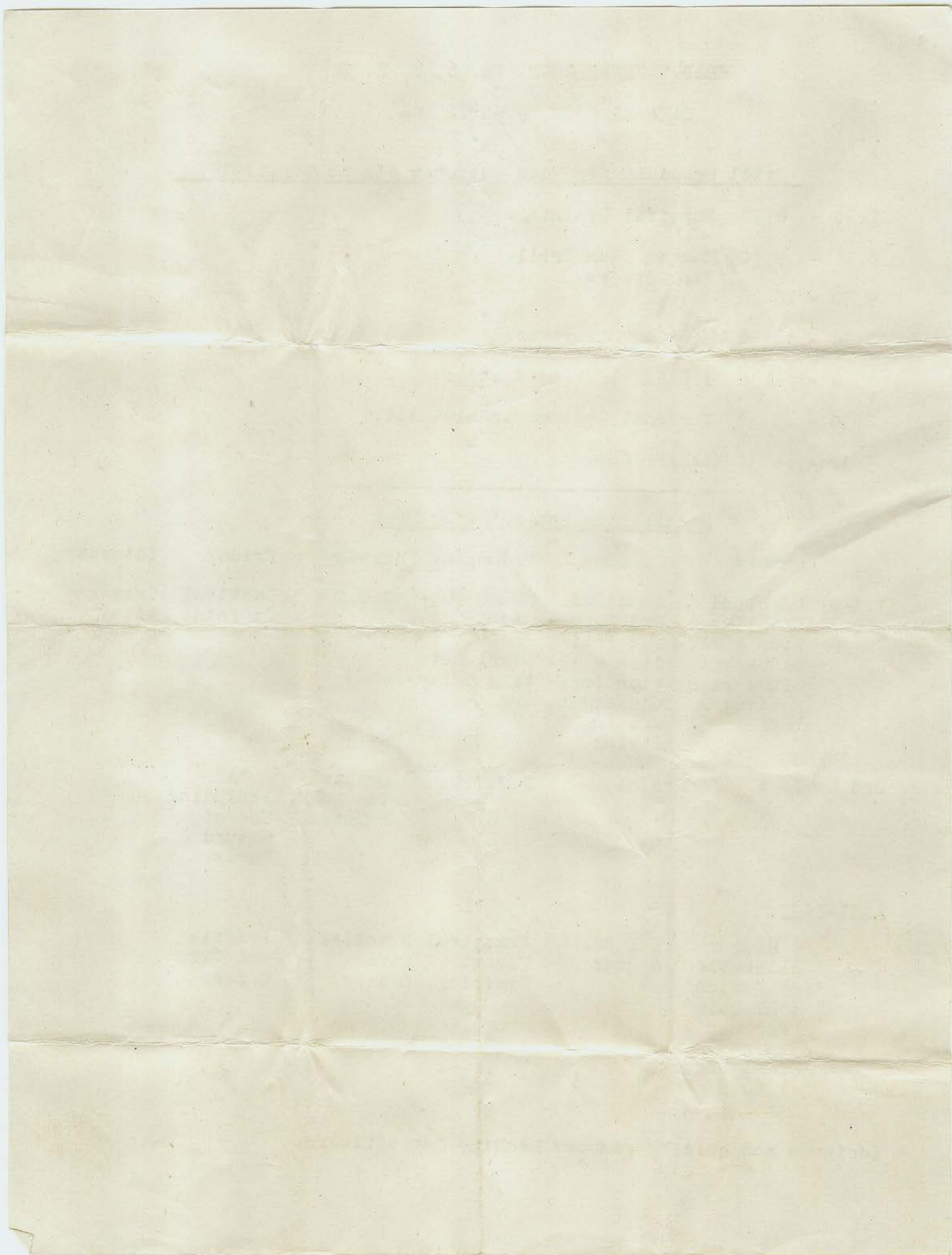
Machine Gun Schedule for Week

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1st Hr. Combined Drill, Action & elementary, include sight setting & laying	Combined Drill, Lowest Position & action. Include sight setting & laying.	Rough Ground Drill. Include sight setting & laying.	T.O.E.T	Tactical Exercise	Inspection.
2nd Hr. I. A.	I. A.	T.O.E.T.	Mechanism, Load & Unload	"A" Including Use of Ground & Cover.	

Lectures:

1/2 Hour Allocation of Duties	B.D.A. & Quiz	Practical Visual Training.	Practical Fire Orders.	Practical Fire Orders.
1/2 Hr. Quiz (For men in gun team only 1 to 8 incl.)				

Lectures and quiz by company Machine Gun officers.



HEADQUARTERS GROUP NO. 6, M. T. D.
M. G. T. C.
CAMP HANCOCK, AUGUSTA, GA.

November 5, 1918.

Schedule for Officers & Instructors.

7:30 - 8:30 Physical Training (Lt. Newbern)

8:30 - 11:30 Machine Gun (Lt. Metlar)

1:30 - 2:30 Infantry Drill (Capt. Hammond)

Monday	Lecture
Tues. - Wed.	School of the Soldier
Thurs. - Friday	School of the Squad

2:30 - 4:30 Machine Gun (Lt. Metlar)

4:30 - 5:30 Administration & Practical Fire Orders.

Mon. - Tues. - Wed.	Administration (Maj. Willoughby)
Thurs. - Friday	P. F. Orders (Lt. Metlar)

Note:

Each company will send out to drill field, at 7:30 a.m. each day: 4 Machine Guns, 4 Tripods (Browning tripods preferred), 8 Belt Boxes, also 2 targets per company.



9th Squad

CENTRAL MACHINE GUN OFFICERS' TRAINING SCHOOL
OFFICE OF SENIOR INSTRUCTOR,
CAMP HANCOCK, GA.

Oct. 14, 1918.

SCHEDULE - 3RD BATTALION
NINTH WEEK

Examination - Manual Courts-Martial - Conducted by instructors from Department of Military Law.

Administration - Instructors from the Department of Administration and Paper Work.

Athletics - As arranged by the Chaplain. If disallowed on account of quarantine, Machine Gun work will be substituted as directed by Battalion commander.

1000 Inch Range - Battalion Commander will make arrangements for transportation of guns, etc.

Other Machine Gun Work - Arranged so as to get the best distribution of tripods. Schedules will be departed from only with permission of the Battalion Commander.

Instructors - Machine Gun Work.

Supervisors - In charge - 2nd Lt. O. Haugen.

Advisory - 1st Lt. J.E. Donohue, 1st Lieuts. Boughton, Cutright, Delle, Hartman, Jamison, Kerns, Lincoln, Lonergan, Lepley, Moore, McDonald, Norman, Newton, Owens, Ragsdale, Vinson, Woolfolk and Sears.

Squad Instructors - The group of 100 Second Lieutenants who have been acting as Squad Instructors in the Second Battalion. These officers will report to Lt. Haugen, South of Dental Infirmary, between the 700 and 800 blocks at 8:00 A.M., Monday, Oct. 14, or at such other time and place as he may designate.

The group of 67 enlisted squad instructors will be reported by the C.O. "A" Company at 7:30 A.M. Monday Oct. 14 and thereafter during the week as directed by the Senior British Officer present, to Major Herbert-Smith, B.M.M. at the warehouse, North of the Exchange building in the 700 block C.M.G.O.T.S., for the purpose of receiving further instructions in handling squads.

Material - The necessary tripods and guns for the use of "A" Company will be drawn from the warehouse in the 700 block. Any material in addition to that now in use by 3rd Battalion may be drawn for the work from the warehouse 700 block, provided that material in use by "A" Company is not taken.

KARL S. BRADFORD,
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Major Herbert-Smith, B.M.M.

Capt. Lean, B.M.M.

Senior Instructors, Department of Military Law and Administration.

Chaplain, C.M.G.O.T.S.

120 copies to 2nd Lt. O. Haugen.

5 copies to each Company, 3rd Bn.

CENTRAL MACHINE GUN OFFICERS' TRAINING SCHOOL
OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR
FORT MONMOUTH, N.J.

Oct. 24, 1916.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR
RE: THE PROPOSED

1. The purpose of this memorandum is to inform you of the results of the investigation conducted by the Central Machine Gun Officers' Training School regarding the proposed changes in the curriculum of the course.

2. It is recommended that the proposed changes be adopted, as they will result in a more efficient and complete training of the officers.

3. The proposed changes are as follows: (a) The addition of a new section on the use of the machine gun in the field; (b) The revision of the existing sections on the maintenance and repair of the machine gun.

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MONDAY

COMPANIES

	: 13th	: 14th	: 15th	: 16th	: 17th	: 18th
HOURS	: CO.	: Co.	: CO.	: CO	: CO.	: CO.
7:30	:					
9:30	:	WRITTEN EXAMINATION - M.C.M.				
9:30	:			:		
10:30	:	Setting up Stoppages.		:	Elementary Gun Drill	
10:30	:			:		
11:30	:	Elementary Gun Drill		:	Setting up Stoppages.	
11:30	:			:		
2:30	:	Administration		:	T O E T	
2:30	:	First Lesson		:		
3:30	:			:	Administration	
3:30	:			:	First Lesson.	
4:30	:	T O E T		:		
7:00	:					
8:00	:	LECTURE - FIRE ORDERS.				
8:00	:					
9:00	:	STUDY - REVISION OF NOTES - STUDY.				

TUESDAY

COMPANIES

	: 13th	: 14th	: 15th	: 16th	: 17th	: 18th
HOURS	: CO.	: CO.	: CO.	: CO.	: CO.	: CO.
7:30	:			:		
8:30	:	Elementary Gun Drill		:	Fire Orders.	
8:30	:			:		
9:30	:	Fire Orders		:	Elementary Gun Drill	
9:30	:			:		
10:30	:	Setting up Stoppages		:	Estimating Distance.	
10:30	:			:		
11:30	:	Estimating Distance		:	Setting up Stoppages.	
2:30	:			:		
2:30	:	T O E T		:	Administration	
2:30	:			:	Second Lesson.	
3:30	:	Administration		:		
3:30	:	Second Lesson		:		
4:30	:			:	T O E T	
7:00	:					
8:00	:	LECTURE ----USE OF GROUND AND COVER.				
8:00	:					
9:00	:	STUDY --- REVISION OF NOTES -- STUDY.				

COMPANIES							
	13th	14th	15th	16th	17th	18th	
HOURS	CO.	Co.	CO.	CO	CO.	CO.	
7:30	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
9:30	:	WRITTEN EXAMINATION - M.C.M.					
9:30	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
10:30	:	Setting up Stoppages.	:	Elementary Gun Drill	:	:	:
10:30	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
11:30	:	Elementary Gun Drill	:	Setting up Stoppages.	:	:	:
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2:30	:	First Lesson	:	:	:	:	:
3:30	:	:	:	Administration	:	:	:
3:30	:	:	:	First Lesson.	:	:	:
4:30	:	T O E T	:	:	:	:	:
7:00	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
8:00	:	LECTURE - FIRE ORDERS.					
8:00	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
9:00	:	STUDY - REVISION OF NOTES - STUDY.					

TUESDAY

COMPANIES							
	13th	14th	15th	16th	17th	18th	
HOURS	CO.	CO.	CO.	CO.	CO.	CO.	
7:30	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
8:30	:	Elementary Gun Drill	:	Fire Orders.	:	:	:
8:30	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
9:30	:	Fire Orders	:	Elementary Gun Drill	:	:	:
9:30	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
10:30	:	Setting up Stoppages	:	Estimating Distance.	:	:	:
10:30	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
11:30	:	Estimating Distance	:	Setting up Stoppages.	:	:	:
2:30	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
2:30	:	T O E T	:	Administration	:	:	:
2:30	:	:	:	Second Lesson.	:	:	:
3:30	:	Administration	:	:	:	:	:
3:30	:	Second Lesson	:	:	:	:	:
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7:00	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
8:00	:	LECTURE ----USE OF GROUND AND COVER.					
8:00	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
9:00	:	STUDY ---- REVISION OF NOTES -- STUDY.					

WEDNESDAY

COMPANIES

	13th	14th	15th	16th	17th	18th
HOURS	CO.	CO.	CO.	CO.	CO.	CO.
7:30			Use of ground			
8:30	1000 inch		and Cover		Fire Orders,	
9:30	Range.				Use of Ground	
9:30	Grouping and		Fire Orders		and Cover	
9:30	Searching.					
10:30			Setting up Stoppages:	T O E T.		
10:30						
11:30			T O E T		Setting up Stoppages.	
1:00						
	ATHLETICS ----- ALL COMPANIES.					
5:00						
7:00						
8:00	REVISION ----- DRILL OR STUDY					
8:00						
9:00	STUDY --- REVISION OF NOTES --- STUDY.					

THURSDAY

COMPANIES

	13th	14th	15th	16th	17th	18th
HOURS	CO.	CO.	CO.	CO.	CO.	CO.
7:30	Use of ground					
8:30	and Cover.		1000 Inch Range		Setting up Stoppages.	
8:30						
9:30	Fire Orders		Grouping		Use of Ground & Cover.	
9:30						
10:30	Setting up stoppages:		and		Combined Drill	
10:30						
11:30	T O E T		Searching		Revision	
1:30						
2:30	Administration			T O E T		
2:30	Third Lesson					
3:30				Administration		
3:30				Third Lesson		
4:30	T O E T					
7:00						
8:00	LECTURE --- RECONNAISSANCE					
8:00						
9:00	STUDY --- REVISION OF NOTES --- STUDY					

COMPANIES						
HOURS	13th CO.	14th CO.	15th CO.	16th CO.	17th CO.	18th CO.
7:30	:	:	Use of ground	:	:	:
8:30	:	1000 inch	and Cover	:	Fire Orders,	:
9:30	:	Range,	:	:	Use of Ground	:
9:30	:	Grouping and	Fire Orders	:	and Cover	:
9:30	:	Searching,	:	:	:	:
10:30	:	:	Setting up Stoppages:	T C E T,	:	:
10:30	:	:	:	:	:	:
11:30	:	:	T O E T	:	Setting up Stoppages.	:
1:00	:	:	:	:	:	:
5:00	:	ATHLETICS -----	ALL COMPANIES.	:	:	:
7:00	:	:	:	:	:	:
8:00	:	REVISION -----	DRILL OR STUDY	:	:	:
8:00	:	:	:	:	:	:
9:00	:	STUDY ---	REVISION OF NOTES ---	STUDY.	:	:

THURSDAY

COMPANIES						
HOURS	13th CO.	14th CO.	15th CO.	16th CO.	17th CO.	18th CO.
7:30	:	Use of ground	:	:	:	:
8:30	:	and Cover,	1000 Inch Range	:	Setting up Stoppages.	:
8:30	:	:	:	:	:	:
9:30	:	Fire Orders	Grouping	:	Use of Ground & Cover.	:
9:30	:	:	:	:	:	:
10:30	:	Setting up stoppages:	and	:	Combined Drill	:
10:30	:	:	:	:	:	:
11:30	:	T O E T	Searching	:	Revision	:
1:30	:	:	:	:	:	:
2:30	:	Administration	:	T O E T	:	:
2:30	:	Third Lesson	:	:	:	:
3:30	:	:	:	Administration	:	:
3:30	:	:	:	Third Lesson	:	:
4:30	:	T O E T	:	:	:	:
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8:00	:	LECTURE ---	RECONNAISSANCE	:	:	:
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HOURS	13th CO.	14th CO.	15th CO.	16th CO.	17th CO.	18th CO.
7:30	Use of ground		:	:	:	:
8:30	and Cover		Elementary Gun Drill	:	1000 Inch Range	
8:30	:	:	Use of ground	:	:	:
9:30	Elementary Gun Drill		and Cover.	:	Grouping	
9:30	:	:	:	:	:	:
10:30	Setting up Stoppages		Combined Drill	:	and	
10:30	:	:	:	:	:	:
11:30	Combined Drill		Setting up Stoppages	:	Searching	
1:30	:	:	:	:	:	:
2:30	Administration		:	T O E T		
2:30	4th Lesson		:	:	:	:
3:30	:	:	:	Administration		
3:30	:	:	:	4th Lesson		
4:30	T O E T		:	:	:	:
7:00	:	:	:	:	:	:
8:00	LECTURE - DIRECT OVERHEAD FIRE.					
9:00	:	:	:	:	:	:
9:00	STUDY---REVISION OF NOTES---STUDY					

SATURDAY

COMPANIES						
HOURS	13th CO.	14th CO.	15th CO.	16th CO.	17th CO.	18th CO.
7:30	:	:	EXAMINATION			
11:30	:	:	TESTS OF ELEMENTARY TRAINING.			

HOURS	:	CO.	:	CO.	:	CO	:	CO	:	CO	:	CO.
7:30	:	Use of ground	:		:		:		:		:	
8:30	:	and Cover	:	Elementary Gun Drill	:		:	1000 Inch Range	:		:	
8:30	:		:	Use of ground	:		:		:		:	
9:30	:	Elementary Gun Drill	:	and Cover.	:		:	Grouping	:		:	
9:30	:		:		:		:		:		:	
10:30	:	Setting up Stoppages	:	Combined Drill	:		:	and	:		:	
10:30	:		:		:		:		:		:	
11:30	:	Combined Drill	:	Setting up Stoppages	:		:	Searching	:		:	
1:30	:		:		:		:		:		:	
2:30	:	Administration	:		:	T O E T	:		:		:	
2:30	:	4th Lesson	:		:		:		:		:	
3:30	:		:		:	Administration	:		:		:	
3:30	:		:		:	4th Lesson	:		:		:	
4:30	:	T O E T	:		:		:		:		:	
7:00	:		:		:		:		:		:	
8:00	:	LECTURE - DIRECT OVERHEAD FIRE.	:		:		:		:		:	
8:00	:		:		:		:		:		:	
9:00	:	STUDY---REVISION OF NOTES---	:	STUDY	:		:		:		:	

SATURDAY

COMPANIES

	:	13th	:	14th	:	15th	:	16th	:	17th	:	18th
HOURS	:	CO.	:	CO.	:	CO.	:	CO.	:	CO.	:	CO.
7:30	:		:		:		:		:		:	
	:		:	EXAMINATION	:		:		:		:	
11:30	:		:		:		:		:		:	
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After.....days, return to

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Co.....Regt.....

Hancock Branch,
AUGUSTA, GEORGIA.



Judge H.C. Singler
Belleville
Penn.

Tell the "Watchman" that they can
change the "Candidate" to "H." on our
paper any time now.

Sunday, November 10, 1918

Dear Dad:-

The war seems to be about over, but don't be encouraged, I won't be home for years probably. The chances of being transferred are nil at present & the camp went into another quarantine yesterday, just as it was coming out of the "flu". This time it is for measles & scarlet fever & will last for quite a while probably. The quarantine was off long enough yesterday for a large crowd of soldiers to attend the M.G.T.C. - Charleston Navy Yard foot-ball game, and Saff, Harry Miller, & I went down to Warren Park after dinner yesterday & took it in. It was the kind of a game you might expect from teams of stars lacking practice. The score was 7-7. Howard Berry only played a quarter & found he wasn't getting away with very much, so he neatly turned his ankle & watched the rest of the game from the bench.

Monday, November 10, 1914

Dear Dad:-

The men seem to be about over
but don't be discouraged, I want to run
for years probably. The chances of being
transferred are nil at present & the
camp is about the same as ever.

Yesterday, just as I was coming out
of the line, there was a for a moment
& a crowd of men & I went for a quarter
while probably. The excitement was
off and enough yesterday for a large
crowd of soldiers to attend the M.A.C.
Club's hard-fought foot-ball game, and
left, Harry Miller & I went down to the

box after dinner yesterday & took a walk.
It was the kind of a game you might expect
from teams of stars looking for a fight. The
score was 1-1. Howard Berry only
played a quarter & found he wasn't
getting much with very much as he
really turned his ankle & watched the
rest of the game from the bench.

He could easily have played if he wanted to because he scarcely limped at all, but he was too lazy, & preferred to sit on the bench & listen to the O.T.S. calling on him to save the day, like Achilles at the fall of Troy. No doubt he is a wonderful player, but he lives on his reputation. He is bayonet instructor in the O.T.S. While I was instructing in the O.T.S. I ate at the same table as he did & always wondered who he was, as he has a distinctive face. He doesn't look much like an athlete, but he really has the ability and can punt wonderfully.

I really don't give a damn what happens to me now. This place is too hopeless for description. You can't get anything to eat anywhere except at our rotten mess & you have to walk most of the way to town, no transfers in sight, war over, the major

thoroughly extinguished all hopes for
 leaves the other day, so what's the use!
 However I have two new jobs, one
 interesting & the other a curse. Capt.
 Fraser made me Company Athletic
 officer & then the Group Athletic officer
 made me assistant coach of the Group
 foot ball team. From 7.30 to 8.30
 each morning when everyone else
 is doing physical training we
 put a couple of teams through practice
 & a little scrimmage. On my team
 I have a full back that is a wonder.
 He is Sgt Holmwood & played on North
 Carolina State last year. He looks
 a lot ~~like my other job~~ is like Lump Wood
 except he is heavier & plays better
 foot-ball.

The group has only officers &
 permanent non-coms now so we are
 all going through a regular Machine
 Gun review for two weeks until

the majority attending all papers for
leaves the other day, as what is the use
However, I have two new foods, one
interesting & the other a course, Capt.
Traver made me compare athletic
officers & then the group athletic officers
in the most important part of the group
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each was giving us some exercises
in boxing physical training we
put a couple of teams through practice
+ a little scrimmage. In my team
I have a full back that is a wonder
He is light & nimble & played on half
back in the last year. He looks
a bit like a ~~fox~~ like a jump ball
except he is a runner & plays better
foot-ball

The group has only officers &
permanent non-coms now as we are
all going through a regular training
from now on for two weeks until

the new men arrive, and I am instructor of a squad of eleven lieuts. Good fun! They don't care & it's hard to make them work at all.

Harry & I went to see the Jacks last evening but Mrs. Jack was away. We saw Mr. Jack, his mother, & the little girl, Katharine. Old Mrs. Jack expressed horror because she heard that a man was hurt at the foot-ball game. I told her there were & that there were still three men in the hospital from last week's game with Camp Gordon. She nearly fainted. Can you imagine that, with millions of dead men in France, to say nothing of the wounded?

I voted on Election Day at the K. of C. building, where Pennsylvania's vote was polled, & saw Capt. Ord, Orvis Keller, & lieuts from Williamsport, Penn State, etc, but I didn't know much about what I was voting

the new men arriving, and from interviews
of a number of others. Good fun!
They don't care + its hard to make
them work at all.

Thinking I want to see the fossils
last evening but the fossils were away

the fossils were away, the fossils were away
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game. Still the fossils were away
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I want to say nothing of the fossils
I want to say nothing of the fossils
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were away, the fossils were away
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were away, the fossils were away

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for, as I hadn't even heard of
most of the Candidates. All I had
to do was give my name & address &
then vote.

I was awfully sorry to hear of
Daniel Keller's death. All the deaths
& wounded in Action make me wish
I had died about my age a year ago.
I may see Russia yet on patrol duty
or something like that but I
wanted to go into action in France.
My big desire is to give the command -
"900 - no deflection - enemy column
to the front - ACTION!" to four
machine guns & then observe the
effect of the fire, which would be
awful - for the enemy. I would rather
be No. 1 at a gun, but a lieut. can't
be that unless every one is killed.

I heard Fritz Scheff sing to
the officers the other day. Her husband
is No. 2 on a M.G. in the 105th M.G. Bn. in
France now.

for, as I had not even heard of
want of the Candidates, all had
to be won quite my name & address
then vote.

I was carefully reading a book of
Samuel Johnson's letters. All the letters
I was reading in Johnson's letters were mine
I had just read my age a year ago.
I was not known yet in political duty
or anything like that. But I

wanted to go into action in the course.
My best desire is to give the command.
"100 - no objection" - every column
to the front - ACTION!" to four
wearing green & men observe the
effect of the fire, which would be

careful - for the enemy. I would rather
be No. 1 of a gun, but a hunt, can't
be that unless every one is killed.
I heard that it is better to
the officers the other day. The husband
is in the 102nd M.G. in the
thousand men.

Jim Horne is a lucky bird to be wounded & come out alive. What more could a man want? Our Lt. Sgt has five shrapnel wounds, one bullet wound, & a bayonet wound to his credit, & wants to show for them all. He was in the Marines.

Yesterday on the street in Augusta I ran into three Williams boys who were sent down here to the O.T.S. They were in 1920 & 21 so I never knew them very well.

All the mts arent captured yet. Five weeks ago a lieut. in the 68th Co. went to the Base Hospital with "flu" presumably. His company commander thought he was still sick until yesterday when he sent a sergeant up to find the lieut's date of commission to enter on some record or other. At the hospital they told the Sgt that said lieut. had been sent back to the company the day after, being all well & not having any disease at all. No one knows where he is: he is just A.W.O.L.

By this time you must be out entirely

I hope so, as you have had quite a siege,
and its time you were trotting around again.
Lots of love to you + Mother + the best of
health to you. In another envelope I will
send you a schedule or two to show you what
kind of work I am doing.

Your loving son,

Hugh.

perhaps, as you have said quite a number
and it is true you were talking around again
lots of love to you + mother + the best of
love to you. In another envelope I will
send you a schedule or two to show you what
kind of work I am doing.

Yours
L. B. Nichols



Judge Henry C. Quigley
Bellefonte
Penn.



Sunday, Nov 3, 1918

Dear Dad:-

Farrington just got back from the stockade where he has spent a pleasant week. Last Saturday he went to town without permission & while under arrest, and that is a very serious offense, since when an officer is put under arrest he must stay in his tent & has no guard over him. On Monday morning he was marched under guard to the stockade - the same one in which McKenna was shot while trying to escape - and there he stayed with the prisoners for a week. Even after all that, I believe he is going to be allowed to resign for the good of the service. There were eighteen charges against him! They always add a lot of minor charges to the big ones they have against a man. Some of his were - stealing boots, breaking arrest, absent without leave during drill hours, overstaying his leave, obtaining leave on false pretenses, inefficiency, and he is lucky to get off without a court martial & a visit to Leavenworth.

A lot of officers left for other camps last week & now I have a tent with a

frame, rough desk, shelves, etc. all to myself.

I got Mother's letter with the enclosed "E. Williams - A Soldier" and also Bud's letter. Lump Wood's letter is very interesting and pathetic. Lump surely was a fine man and I cannot imagine a better way of dying than the way he did. It seems strange to read a letter like that & think how well I knew the man - the winter before last before he left we used to wrestle in the gym about three times a week. We would work on that mat until we were both exhausted and he always got the worst of it because he was ten pounds lighter than I was. I don't believe I was ever as tired as I was one day when I threw Lump seven times and Gil MacCurdy threw me twice without a rest. I surely am an unlucky bird as far as getting to France is concerned.

Bud was resting at Monte Carlo when he wrote that short note.

Yesterday my battalion went on a hike in the morning & I was commander of the advance party - one platoon. It was

just to demonstrate to the men an advance guard formation.

I have a strong feeling that the eleven ex-instructors sent to this group will be added to the present list "awaiting transfer" very soon. Nearly every one of those instructors sent to the other groups have gone, but we were less fortunate in this group.

Lately I have been doing most of the close & open order drill for the company, and that is just my line. I would much rather drill the company for an hour and a half than give a lecture for half an hour, just as I would rather play on a football team than on a chess team at college, though in the army every officer must be able to handle all kinds of work.

There was nothing about Wilson's speech or Taft's reply in these southern papers that I saw, but I surely would like to read them & vote also, but the latter is impossible as far as I can see.

The only way to get a leave is to apply formally to the C.O. for one, but

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he issued an order "refusing all leaves before they were applied for until the quarantine is lifted, which will be soon, I expect, as some of the rules concerning riding are off now.

Lieut. Singer recognized his boots because one spur was shorter than the other & he caught Jamington anyway by coming down after " had decided to resign & asking him for some compensation for using the boots. F. gave it all away by refusing to pay, saying that he didn't wear the boots much!

Arch Kingsley, who was made an infantry officer at the third Camp which ended a month before I entered, is still in the U.S.A. - at Detention Camp No 2, 164th Depot Brigade, wherever that is - and at a worse dump than this, judging from the name. I would have been no nearer ~~camp~~ France had I stayed in the infantry and I wouldn't rather be anything else than an M.G. officer anyway. It is the greatest branch of all without a doubt, but my age

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of all without a doubt, but I hope

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with anything.

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as soon as the quarantine is lifted, but
I have no good reason to offer except
your being sick & I don't want to see
you sick when that time comes. I might
get a leave without any reason, but it
is highly improbable. I would hate to
be transferred to California without getting
a leave first, but if I was to go to Dix
or some such camp I would want the
leave after I got there. A rapid recovery
for you. Lots of love to you & Mother from
your loving son,
Hugh.

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with anything.

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leave after I got there, I don't want
forgets of love to you & mother from
your loving son
Frank



Mrs. Henry C. Ingley
Belleville
Penn.



October 30, 1918

Dear Mother:-

Thank you for sending the second comforter. I will send the first one back, because I think that you would rather have me use the other one. At least, I hope so, for a comforter is a comforter to me, no matter what color, but I only wanted to get one that was the least valuable to you, so I hope I have that one now. I will send some laundry back with the comforter tomorrow. I just received your letter dated Oct. 27 and also one from Henrietta. I certainly am glad to hear that Dad is improving and you tell him for me that he must get more exercise after he is fully recovered, it is the only way to keep well.

The work has been more interesting since I wrote that last pessimistic letter. The next day I had to give two lectures in rapid succession to a platoon, one on "Personal Hygiene" & the other on "First Aid." The first one was easy because all I had to do was to look at them to think of things to talk about, and I remembered quite a little of a First Aid lecture we got at

Devens from a Medical Officer, so that wasn't very hard either. Then I got a chance to do some M.G. instruction, & that was hard! Holding up the bolt handle, I asked a man what it was. He replied "Je ne comprend" or something like that, but it wasn't real French & I ordered "Fall out one" which disposed of him for the time being. I asked another man what it was and he told me - he talked for about a minute and I couldn't get a word. Some of them pretend they can't speak English so they won't be sent across & others really can't, so it is pretty hard to teach them.

Last night at 9.30 the whole group was called out by an order from headquarters & a long list read of men who were to spend a week on the big range preparatory to going across. The stayed up most of the night packing their stuff & a few of them deserted but they will be caught without much trouble. They marched off this A.M. with a few officers who will probably take them to France older officers. That took 79 out of our company so today there wasn't much to do as only about fifteen men were out for drill. The rest were on details - K.P., etc. We lost all the half way intelligent men in the

company, so it is a sorry outfit now.

This afternoon I went through two real gas attacks - tear gas, and chlorine. All officers & men who hadn't been through the "gas house" were put through this P.M. & I will get a certificate, which is necessary before going overseas. The officers all went through together. We put on the masks & then marched into the gas chamber - an airtight house out in the woods - in which a tear gas bomb had just been exploded. We stood around in there for five minutes while the Gas Officer told us how airtight the masks were, etc. & then we tested for gas - let a little air into the mask from the side, and everyone yelled "Gas". Then we had to remove masks & the officer said "Don't crowd". The door was open & you should have seen the majors, captains & lieutenants dive for that door. I did my best, & only got a few lungfuls of that stuff, but that was enough. It is not fatal to breathe it, but it looked like a funeral - everyone was crying. You couldn't see to get out without opening your

eyes, so everybody cried for about ten minutes after they got out. You can't help it - it just stings your eyes & the tears flow out & down your cheeks. I was standing right beside our br. commander & I couldn't help laughing in his face - to see a major crying was too much for me. He laughed too.

Then we had a regular attack. We all stood about twenty five yards on the lee side of a big gas cylinder filled with condensed chlorine. We were ordered not to take masks out of their satchels till we actually smelled the gas. The valve was turned & the gas hissed out like steam at first. Then it appeared to move toward us, making the air look greenish yellow. I got one good whiff of that stuff & frantically tried to put on my mask which was pretty small & tight anyway. It must have taken me twelve seconds to get it on, but I held my breath & it doesn't hurt your eyes anyway, so I was all right. The time allowed to put on mask is six seconds but I never had much practice, but I sure will have before I ever go near any fronts.

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It was turned off after about half a minute & we marched back to camp. That is all there was to it, but I wouldn't want to breathe much of that tear gas, even though it isn't very dangerous to breathe.

The laundry came yesterday evening, and Maggie & Rebecca shall have their payment when I get a chance to have my picture taken. The cotton socks are no good except to wear under wool ones, as cotton is no good in the army. I got them at the D.M., because they only cost 10¢ a pair.

Today the big transfer list came out, ordering about 300 men to report to about ~~twenty~~ twenty different camps. I lose my tent mate & will have more room. That order doesn't include half of the men "awaiting transfer" so my turn is a long way off, not even being on any list yet. Frank Adams goes to Camp Sherman, Ohio, where McDermott & Peterson are & where quite a few old Demers men are going. Not one old Demers man is going there this time. Bailey Brown is the only one to get back

of all the men who came down here.

In the 6th group are the 65th to 76th companies inclusive, plus the Sigs. company. There may be more than twelve companies in some groups or else they skipped some numbers. It is hard to tell how many men there are in each company, because they are coming & going all the time, but the average is a little over 200, possibly 250. Officers are sent out of here as soon as the new divisions are ready for them, & men are sent out to France (to be replacement troops for casualties) as soon as they are trained.

The reason these regiments here are called groups is that if they were reg'ts they would have to be numbered & couldn't be broken up as they are now. The men are used here & there where they are needed.

This is the third lot of men Capt. Fraser has trained since he has been C.C. of the 65th Co. & he says they are the worst he ever saw. I hope the next outfit is better. This whole group is awful. They get the scum of the earth, or this

last bunch was anyway. The first lot Capt. Fraser had were bums from N.Y. city & they were awful. The second lot came from North Carolina & were good men, but these half wits from the foot hills of Alabama & Louisiana are the worst of all. Can you imagine me speaking to a man in ranks perfectly calmly & gently, & having his knees ~~shake~~ shake? That is what often happens. Some of them are tongue tied when they see a gold bar. All of them are not that way, of course, because there are some few fairly decent, high-school educated men among them, but on the whole, they are very simple.

There are seven Groups in the Main Training Depot, the seventh is all colored. That is where the colored W.C. officers who graduated with us went, & it is one of the best groups in camp. It is half past nine now & that is when I usually prepare for bed, if not before, so good night & have a good

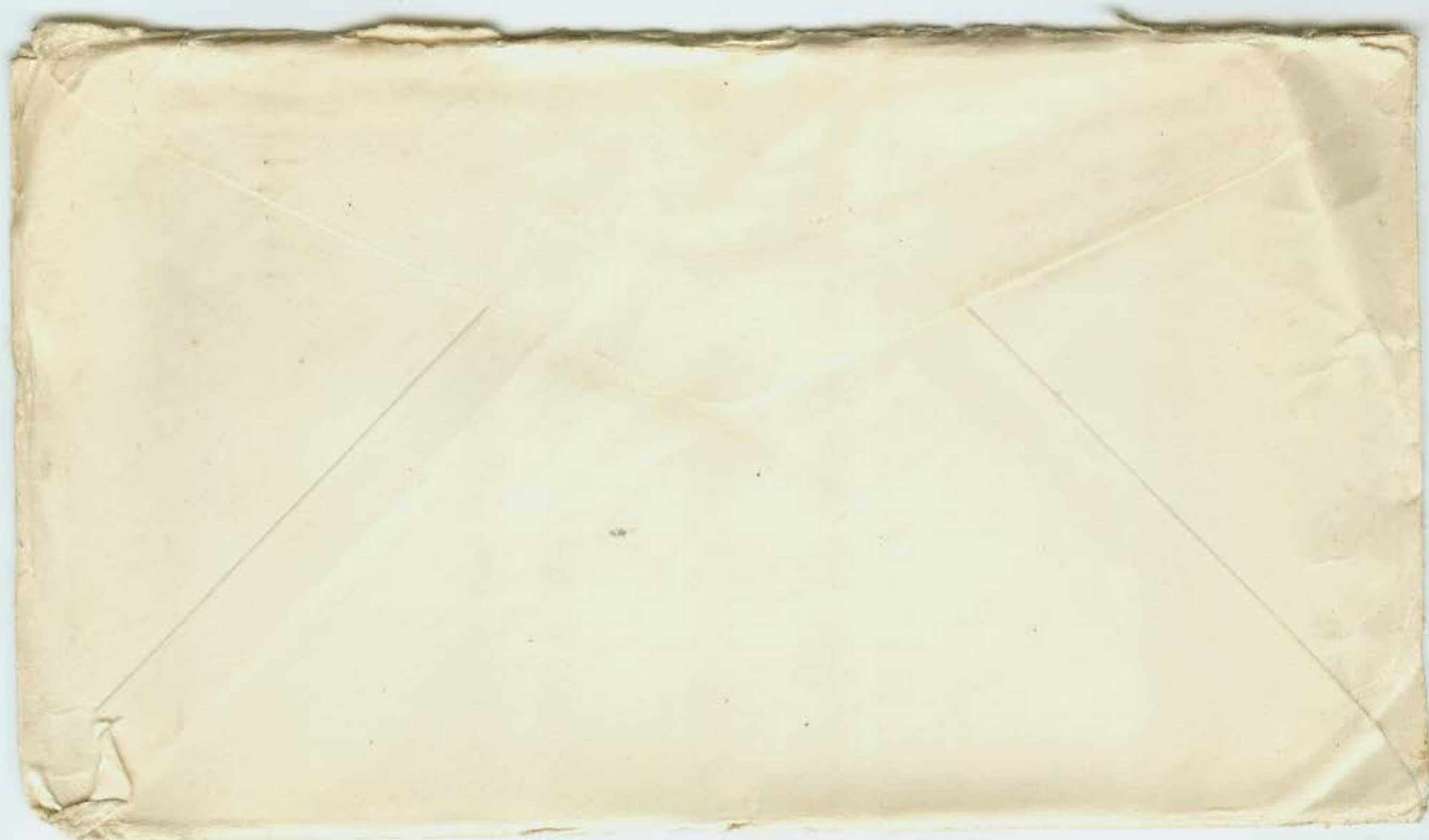
sleep". We only lose three officers
from our company by this transfer, but
more will go soon, I expect. Tell Dad to
have patience & when he is all well to
take care of himself & keep well. He must
be up when this letter arrives, I hope so.
I know it is not the fault of the "nurse"
that he has been laid up so long.
Lots of love to both of you from
your loving son,
Hugh.

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Mrs. Henry C. Quigley
Belleville
Penn.



October 20, 1918

Dear Mother, -

The comforter + laundry came the day after I wrote my last letter and I was very glad to get them, especially the laundry. I sent a big package of soiled clothes off yesterday + when they are done you will know my address probably, as it will change tomorrow. The comforter is fine, but isn't it a little too nice to use in the sand + dust here, to say nothing of taking it to France, perhaps? It is a wonderful piece of work + if you don't mind its getting dirty, it suits me perfectly. Maybe I will land somewhere in real officers' quarters where the orderly sweeps the wooden floor every day, or even in a tent with a floor, + in that case it wouldn't receive much higher use than it did at college. It surely is a beauty but it is a shame to use it here.

There was a rumor yesterday to the effect that the instructors who leave tomorrow, including me, will go with a lot of higher officers to Western Division, bound for Russia. These higher officers just graduated from the Advanced M.G. school, + we would be their staff, adjutants, + instructors. You see there are two ways of making M.G. officers. The way I was made - by going through the O.T.S. as an enlisted man - and by going to the M.G. school after you are an officer.

October 20, 1918

Dear Mother,

The comforter & blanket come the day
after I wrote you last letter and I was very
glad to get them, especially the blanket. I
am glad you are well. I am well and
hope you are the same.

Comforter is fine, but not a little too
warm to use in the winter. I am to say
nothing of taking it to France, perhaps? It is
a wonderful piece of work & if you don't mind
(I don't mind it, it suits me perfectly. Mother)
I will send it to you in real officer's uniform
when the order comes. I am sure it will
be a great help to you in a tank. I will
send it to you in a tank. I will send it to you
in a tank. I will send it to you in a tank.

There was a very good reason for the
fact that the winter was so warm, including
us with a lot of higher officers to
the winter. I am sure it will be a great
help to you in a tank. I will send it to you
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yesterday about forty Lt. Cols. & majors graduated, besides numerous captains and lieuts. One captain didn't pass the course. They will send him to the infantry somewhere. That school is conducted by Canadian, British, and Fort Hill officers.

The latest report is that we all report to some Group Commander at Building 101 tomorrow morning. That would mean a good chance for both leave & transfer. However, the big thing is getting out of the O.T.S. Most of us did, except a few kept as supervisors in the 3rd & 4th bus. That is an awful job - you just rot from standing around. A squad instructor does the actual instructing & has more to keep him busy, but I have instructed my last squad. The new plan is "to rotate all officers" but a few "in the O.T.S. & send them out to divisions and France" in the Colonel's exact words at officers meeting yesterday.

Harry Miller & I walked every step of the five miles to town yesterday & every step back, & there are some fine long hills between here & there. We managed to buy some sandwiches & take them out of town & eat them, and that is the best meal a person can get in Augusta unless he doesn't belong to this camp or has a wife in town. I stepped

on some good scales in town & weighed just 190 lbs & that was seven hours after lunch & I hadn't had a bite to eat. I felt empty as a vacuum bell-jar but I sure did surprise those scales.

This certainly is a hand-to-mouth army. Everyone knew a week ago that we would be without a job yesterday noon & that we would have to be sent somewhere, but here it is Sunday afternoon & we haven't heard an official word. We couldn't be allowed to loaf tomorrow, so an order will probably reach here in the morning at 7 A.M., ordering us to report somewhere at 7 A.M. with all our baggage.

I am so glad to hear that Dad is better. I knew he was coming right along from your letters & didn't worry much, but it naturally bothered me a bit to think that he wasn't all right.

I have four pairs of those wonderful home made socks here now & I sent one north in the laundry yesterday. They are fine but it isn't cold enough to wear them except on some frosty days such as we had in the middle of last week. You wouldn't

that perhaps it was a rather long time in
+ found it was a new lot + add 100
as it was the first lot I had seen
a vacuum but I am not sure
that is all

This is a very good lot
in fact, I am sure you will find it
a very good lot

we would have to be sure to get
it in a hurry after we have
an official word. We will be
back tomorrow, as an order will probably
have in the morning at 7 AM. ordering
in the morning at 7 AM. will all be
done.

I am sorry to hear that is

rather a long time to wait (I am)

but I am sure you will find it

of course, I am sure you will find it

that is all right.

I am sure you will find it

that is all right.

I am sure you will find it

that is all right.

I am sure you will find it

send any more to me until it gets so cold that I start to wear them regularly. The four pairs I have will keep me going until the winter comes & then it will be plenty of time to send others.

Thank you for Scotty's address, and also for getting the razor blades which latter you can keep till I let you know my next address. In fact all communication must cease till that time. I will probably write to you tomorrow evening if we stay in Camp Hancock & as soon as I arrive if I go out of camp - sooner if we go far. Send up a prayer for Camp Dix or Stevens. Dix is nearer home than any other, but the new Division (the 12th) at Stevens sails the 15th of November, according to Bailly Brown who wrote to Frank Adams the other day.

Ted Kyle is at Camp Beauregard, Alabama. Can you imagine a worse place? Frank Adams is still in the Second Group.

If I can't go to Dix, Meade, Stevens, or Upton, me for Camp Kearney, Cal., or Lewis, Wash. Those are the only camps I would

send my love to you until it gets as cold that
I start to wear the heavy coat. I have
not yet heard from you. I will be
glad to hear from you at any time.
and others.

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must come till that time. I will probably
write to you tomorrow evening if we stop
in camp. I have a letter to you if I go
out of camp - answer if we go for
send up a package for camp for our
this is really done from my letter, but
the new business (the 1st) of the year.

to the other day, and I am
the other day.

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glad to hear from you at any time.
and others.

enjoy going to, but of course, I must take what comes. But may I stay here rather than go to any of the many camps in Alabama, Louisiana, Arkansas, and such states as those. They are simply infested with camps, but excuse me! Georgia is bad enough.

Don't send the blades now, but if there are more to be had, you might get another dozen + save them for me, or send them altogether.

I am going out for another walk this afternoon and I can't think of anything else to tell you, so I will suspend firing for 24 hours.

Give Dad my best wishes and good luck, although he is probably up & about by now. I certainly hope so, anyway.

Lots of love to you & Dad.

Your loving son,

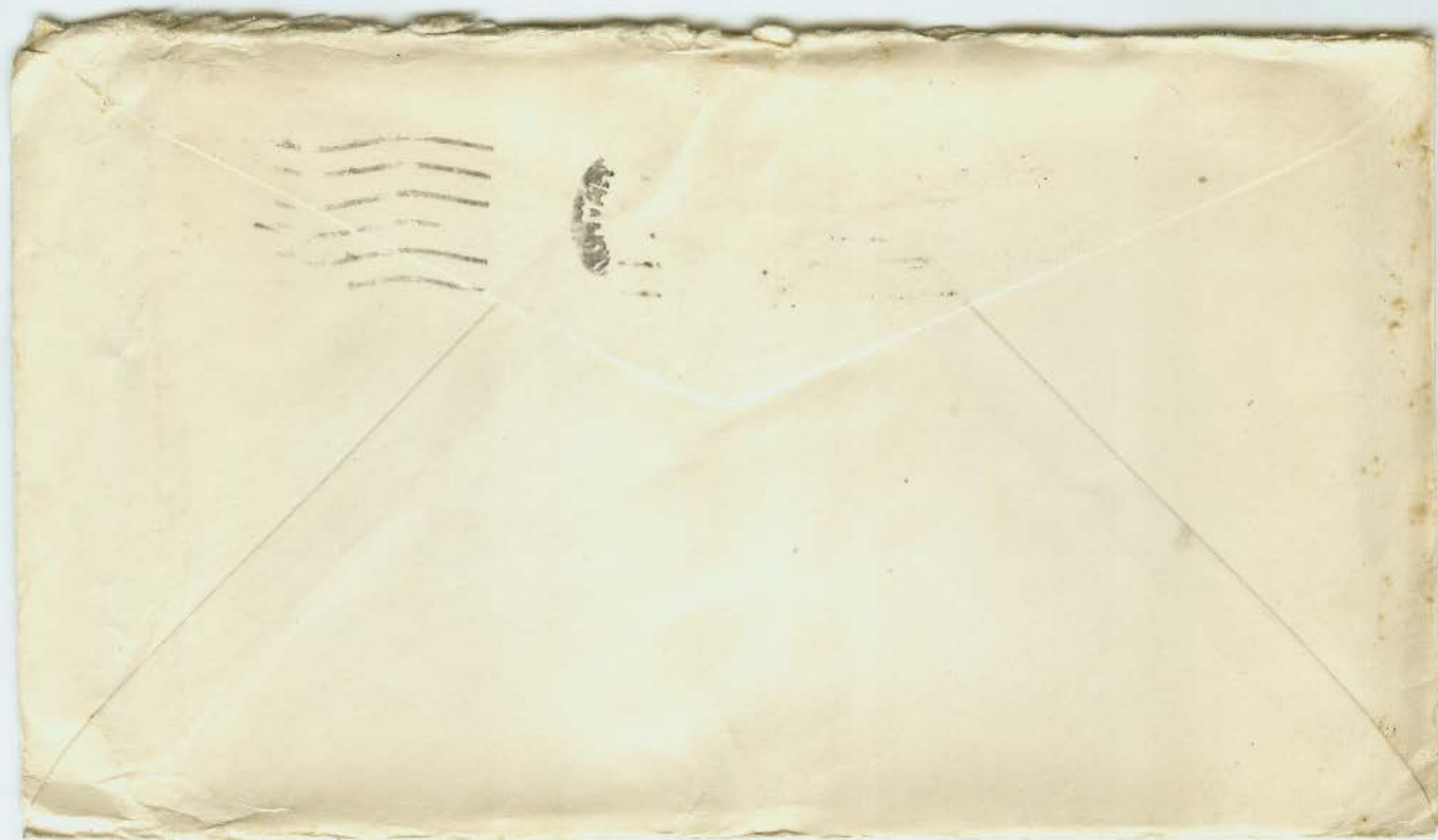
Hugh.

P.S. Bill Menselis, who was ^{vig}vig of the Williams football team when I was competing for ^{asst}asst vig, was killed in action the other day - the first name on the list. An awfully fine man - went thru 1st Camp in May 1917 & got commission then.

As so I have written to you last week



Judge Henry C. Swigley
Belleville
Penn.



October 21, 1918

Dear Dad:-

By the time you get this letter I hope you are up and around in good shape. It is now 6.30 P.M., and I have had two meals in the Officers' mess of the Sixth Group, Main Training Depot, and am sitting on my new bunk in a little two by four officers' tent shared by Lieut. Woader & myself.

Yesterday two other lieuts & myself took a six mile walk and when we got back 1st Lt. Smaime, who is a senior instructor or something like that, handed me "Special Order #187 Hqs M.G.T.C." with 76 names on it to report to said Hqs at 10 A.M. today. Also there was a Memo from C.M.G.O.T.S. Hqs relieving the same officers & naming 2nd Lt. Wm. Twigley as responsible for the 76 marching Hqs. I had to march them down to Hqs. where they were all assigned to Groups & eleven, all from the old 5th Co, were assigned to the 6th - with the reputation of having the worst personnel in camp. The men only have two more weeks here before they go across & then we will get new recruits.

I reported to Captain Fraser, C.C. of the 65th Co. this morning & he gave me permission to fix up my tent & report at reveille tomorrow.

Each of the eleven new officers was assigned to a different company & I drew the 65th. Captain Fraser seems to be a wonder, according to the lieuts. He looks to be about 19 years old but of course he must be nearly thirty, or at least over twenty-five.

There are about 200 men in the Co & nearly all of them just recovered from the influenza, so they don't work very hard. There are twenty-two officers in our company, and about the same number in every other company in camp, so some of them must go soon. Each company has about ten of the newest officers from the 2nd bu. & we 1st bu. graduates ought to get a chance to leave before they do. Capt. Fraser probably picks me for some late arrival from the 2nd bu. but I hope to disillusion him soon.

This is more like the army than that O.T.S. ever hoped to be. Here we have a Lt. Col. or Col. for each group (12 companies) & a major in command of each of the 3 bus in a group. And it's a lot different having these enlisted men jump up & salute - it is more real - because they never will be officers. The candidates we instructed only had a month to go when we

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same number in every other company in
camp, so some of them must go soon. Each
company has about ten of the new officers
from the 1st & 2nd. We are gradually to
get a whole lot more. I am sure the
major probably thinks we are near the
arrival from the 1st & 2nd. I hope to
be able to see them soon.

This is more like the army than the
O.T. we have here. There we have a 1st Lt. or
Col. for each of the 12 companies, & a major in
command of each of the 3 battalions. But
to a different company these officers were
put up & down. It is more real - because
they have with the officers. The candidates we
intended to go with had a week or so in the

started with them, and they were nearly officers all the time. In the O.T.S. they do everything with the idea of requiring some one else to do the same to them when they graduate, but there men treat you like an officer because they are enlisted men & you are an officer, and so the relationship will remain.

My new address is

65th Company

6th Group, M.T.D.

Camp Hancock, Ga.

and the change is most agreeable to me. Our old tents are now occupied by new instructors from the 2nd Bu., & I hope they enjoy it. You learn something about being an officer here. The schedule tomorrow calls for close & open order drill, military courtesy, & machine gun drill.

When the quarantine is lifted, maybe I will get a leave, let us hope, & a transfer, let us pray.

Mother's letter of Friday noon said you were doing beautifully. Keep it up.

Lots of love to you & Mother from
your loving son,

Hugh.

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graduate, but there were two for this
officer because they are entitled with a year
and an officer, and as the relationship will
remain.

My new address is
1011 E. Broadway

St. Paul, M.T.D.

Camp Hancock, Pa.

and the change is most appropriate to me.
But old tents are now occupied by new
inhabitants from the old tent, and the new
camp is a new one. The new camp is a new
one, and the new camp is a new one. The new
camp is a new one, and the new camp is a new
one.

When the government is notified, we will
get a loan, it is safe, and a transfer, but in
fact.

William's letter of 11th of May will give you
some information. I hope it will.
I am of the opinion that the
new camp is a new one.
I hope it will.



Mrs. Henry C. Quigley
Belleville
Penn.



Wednesday, Oct. 23, 1918

Dear Mother:-

The last letter I wrote was on Monday night. Since then I have been doing seven solid hours work a day & it is lots of fun, for variety. Tuesday morning the first shot out of the box. Captain Fraser gave me a platoon for open order for an hour. Then in the afternoon I had a platoon in company drill and it is a great relief to have more than 10 men under you & to be able to let out your voice when you feel like it.

Today I had another platoon in open order. When I wasn't leading a platoon I was marching in the file closers making corrections & two hours a day the company has P.T. (physical training), when the officers play with a medicine ball or do anything they like. The evenings are free except about once in twenty days when an officer has to be officer of the day in the company, - hold retreat - reveille & inspect tents at night.

In the 65th Co. there are one Captain, two 1st lieuts, three 2nd lts from the 1st bn. O.T.S., & about fifteen very new lts from the 2nd bn. O.T.S. There are so many officers in the group that some of them will have to be transferred, and you know how I would like to go. This camp is nothing but a training center for replacement troops. They leave after eight weeks & go to France, where they replace casualties.

You ought to see the class of men in our company! There are about thirty that can't even read the figures on the rear sight of an M.G. and the rest are consumptive, degenerate, ignorant mountaineers from these southern states. It is a shame to haul them out, because harsh words make them jump & get them all excited so they forget to do anything. The platoon I had couldn't make me out at all the first day, when I stepped out to take charge of it they thought I was a still newer lieutenant from the O.T.S. - even newer than the late arrivals - and I looked pretty young & harmless also, I suppose. Then I corrected one poor man & he thought it was funny, and that was my opportunity. I just naturally jumped all over him and from then on the whole platoon was "cowed". All it takes is bluster & noise to impress these poor ignorant souls, but to teach them anything of course you must know the stuff, and then the trouble is to make them understand it. They can only understand the simplest words. They never could be real machine gunners, but they will do out by doing K.P. & such things.

The company has a pay roll of 200 enlisted men, but 47 are in the Base Hospital and 39 in the Field Hospital, & all the rest of them think they are sick. They certainly are hopeless. Of course I understand about the laundry.

I told you I didn't expect it sooner because you were away. By the way, you can send the laundry you have now to my new address - 65th Co., 6th Grap M.T.D.. The comforter I have here is fine & I couldn't want anything better, but it's up to you whether you want me to use it or not. An older one would do just as well, so let me know what you wish. The Gillette blades came today. Thank you very much for them and also for taking care of my laundry, etc., so well. It really must be some trouble for you & I certainly do appreciate it. I mean about the socks & mending, etc., especially. Remember; do just what you wish about the comforter. I will be satisfied with whatever you decide.

I certainly was sorry to read of "Pinkney" Doll's death & also of that other boy who was also in Troop L. Their pictures were side by side in the Watchman & they were two of the best boys in the troop. The other boy was from Bellefonte and I forget his name, but I knew him & both of them were fine boys.

Don't expect any leave for me. I don't. It's too uncertain. Lots of love to you & Dad. Tell Dad to take it easy & get absolutely well before he starts running around again. He is lucky to have as good a nurse as you to take care of him, and I know what I am talking about.

Your loving son, Hugh.

Wm. D. Ingle
65th Co. 6th Group M.T.D.
Camp Hancock, Ga.



Judge Henry C. Ingle
Belleville
Penn



Saturday evening.

Dear Dad:-

Nothing of note to report along the Hancock "front" except disappointment about transfer + Harrington's dismissal from the service. You probably remember hearing about Harrington - one of my 5th Co tent mates. He was in the 65th Co. long and I came on leave when I arrived. He turned up the other morning at 2.30 wearing a pair of boots that had been missing for ten days. They belonged to a 1st Lt. named Singer + he was caught with the goods. Also, he got leave to be married + never did get married, besides coming back late. Charges were preferred against him + he was about to be brought up before a General Court Martial when Col. Ragsdale relented + this afternoon he was shown the charges + asked if he would sign a paper in which is stated, "I desire to resign as a 2nd Lt in the U.S. Army for the good of the service," which is just as good as a dishonorable discharge. He is only 22 + that is why he got off without any heavier sentence. We always did think that fellow was a nut.

There have been some forty nine liants here "confined to camp awaiting transfer" for

over three weeks + yesterday + today about a hundred more were added to the list, but I didn't see my name on it. The two 1st lieutenants from our company are on it, four 1st lieutenants, & 2 2nd lieutenants, but I miss out just because I was held in the O.T.S. for 5 weeks as an instructor. Can you beat that! Great honor to be an O.T.S. instructor! There are big transfer lists in all the other groups also. These men all took the measles exam. yesterday + today + that should indicate that they will go out soon. All I get out of it is a good tent in the front row with a floor + wooden walls + a porch fly which 1st Lt. Lewis promised me when he left. He is in the 65th Co.

The "flu" broke out like a forest fire in the O.T.S. today, 41 cases in one company. The quarantine will probably be on for quite a while. I am too disgusted with this group + this camp even to tell you about it. This is the "do nothing" group of the camp. Officers not allowed to get horses to ride on Sat. + Sunday.

Rotten Mess, - half cooked pork twice a day, starve or die of disease. Canned milk, no facilities to feed half of the officers, nothing to do in spare time. No pistol practice.

Worked $2\frac{1}{4}$ hrs yesterday. Stay in camp or walk to town, I will go nuts if they don't give me something to do. If I don't get on a transfer list or get a leave, or at least if the quarantine isn't lifted, I don't know what I will do.

We are on duty seven hours a day & there is nothing for us to do during $3\frac{1}{2}$ hours of that & we can't go to our tents. So we go & sit on the railroad tracks back in the woods until we have something to do. Can you imagine work like that & nothing to do in the evening or over a week end. I hate to write to anyone because I know the letter would sound like the dickens - the way I feel.

Well, I hope you are up & about by now. Give my love to mother.

Your loving son,
Hugh.

Butter, Mrs., - half century of service
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Sunday morning.

Dear Dad:-

I went to bed at 8.15 last night & set my watch at 7.15 so I had some sleep and feel more good natured today, even though the buglers forgot to change their time and blew reveille at 7 AM by the old time, so when it really became 7 o'clock I had eaten breakfast & was all prepared for a busy day. Harry Miller & I walked up to the 4th Group and saw Safford & Call. Call is about to leave for some other camp or at least is as near leaving as the rest of the officers on the transfer lists. Saff & I are going to take a walk this afternoon but I don't know where we will go. There is no place to walk around here. Nothing but sand roads and woods & swamps composed of scrub trees & bushes.

I would like to own a farm in this country!

There is a good picture in "Punch" of a fond Mother reading son's letter to Father. Son is in France & the mother reads, "We have a fine Captain & would follow him to H--L--". I suppose he means the Hindenburg line. That sounds like one of the Misses MacCurdy, doesn't it?

I suppose there will be some work to

do here after the fortunate ones are transferred
 but I hate to think of working here. My
 idea of a good time would be to get a leave
 & then report to Dix, Meade, Stevens, Lewis, or
 Kearney, Cal. I will probably draw some camp
 in Alabama or Texas when the time comes.

If I had enlisted in Troop L in 1917, where
 would I be now? I would take any place except
 where those are who stayed in the O.S. I
 haven't seen much action in this heated
 engagement at Camp Hancock.

I suppose we have to take everything
 as it comes, but I wish my name was on
 the list, at least, so I could have some
 hope of going.

Lots of love to you & Mother again.
 Your loving son, Hugh.



Mrs. Henry C. Quigley
Belleville
Penn.



Thursday evening.

Dear Mother:-

This is to be just a short note to inform you of several new developments, or rather, rumors. In the first place, where are my clothes? I have been borrowing handkerchiefs & waiting for weeks. Of course, I realize that you were away but I didn't expect the laundry until a day or so anyway, and I hope it is on the way now. There is really no way of getting laundry done here satisfactorily or I wouldn't put you to all the trouble of having it done & sending it back. There is a camp laundry which returns about half of your clothes not sooner than two weeks & charges a lot for even that. There are still some colored laundresses hovering about the camp, but they are not allowed & anyone is taking a chance giving them work. So you can see how necessary it is for me to send it home.

The latest rumor is that the instructors who have been working in the 3rd Bn. this week will be sent to Camp Sevier, S.C. next week, but Heaven forbid! That is worse than Hancock. One thing is sure, & that is that we leave the 3rd Bn. after tomorrow.

We have had a soft time of it this week, with three hours in the A.M. & only one in the P.M. & none in the evening. The men in the 14th Co. are much better men to work with than the 9th Co. was, for two reasons: the 9th was made up of Southerners; and the 14th has had ignorant non-coms. for instructors until we replaced them. The men seem interested & they surely work hard.

The second battalion graduated two days ago, about 830 strong & this camp is simply infested with 2nd lieuts, but it makes us feel not so new with a new crop of green ones just out. The entire squad I was instructing was passed, which is a good record, since an average of one or two out of each squad in the bu. did not get through. I recommended that one of my men be dropped but the C.C., after some consideration of his exam works, let him by.

That trip to Summit must have been awfully tiring for you but you ought to take a good rest now. I have written to Mary twice since I heard she was sick & I got a letter from her today.

If you can find some of my recent letters which you didn't have when you wrote from Youkers & Phila, there are some questions I

wish you would answer, about Dr Keller's & Scotty's addresses.

The only trouble with the college comforter is that it is too narrow to be used as a mattress & blanket too, as I may have to when I go over, since I don't believe mattresses are allowed overseas. But I have three blankets & could make out all right with the narrow one. What I was thinking of was that big, dark brown, pretty much worn one, that I have seen about the house, but it's up to you entirely, and I don't want one that will cause you a shortage of any kind. However, I don't need it now, anyway, so you can look over the stock & let me know.

I had an easy time cashing Dad's check, as I was fortunate to find the canteen manager driving around camp collecting proceeds from his canteens. He didn't have over \$15,000.00 in the car, so he managed to cash it for me.

The mail has arrived & I will look it over for laundry & letters before closing this epistle, and if there is no laundry I will buy some handkerchiefs as I have borrowed quite a few already. If the

laundry is here, beware of a counter-attack, as I will use the same paper & send some right back.

Please don't forget about the razor blades if there are any in town, & get a dozen because they can't be had anywhere except where there are some left over from before the time when the gov't took them over or something like that occurred.

No mail. I am going out for a walk with a lient. named Leland T. Wood, from New England, - more specifically, Connecticut. - as that is the only way to pass the evening around here.

Lots of love to you & Dad & more thanks to Dad for the money.

Your Loving son,
Hugh.



Judge Henry C. Swigley
Belleville
Penn.



Tuesday Oct 15⁽³⁾

Dear Dad:-

Thank you very much for the check. I got it about Sunday and, although I won't be buying any tickets to Bellfonte soon, it will meet any emergency that may arise, & anything may arise after this Saturday or even sooner. I am instructing in the 14th Company 3rd Bu. for this week only and maybe not the entire week, for there seem to be plans in the air for the famous hundred instructors.

The second battalion graduates tomorrow & Lafford graduates with them. I am glad for his sake & his family's but he won't make a very good "ossifer". General Edwards spoke to the second Bu. last night & he said, according to reports, that graduates of the 1st Bu. will be sent across as soon as possible & they have been scouring the groups for officers with m.g. experience. You see, the 1st Bu. of the C.M.G., O.T.S., was practically the first lot of officers turned out with any knowledge of the Browning Machine Gun. All other m.g. officers only knew about the Vickers which

Tuesday Oct 10

Dear Dad:

Thank you very much for the check. I got it about Sunday and although I don't like buying my tickets to Liverpool now, it will save me a lot of trouble. I was going to come after this Saturday or Sunday, but I am in the 1st Company and for a week only and will be in the 1st week, for there seems to be plans in the air for the future.

I have been very busy since I came and I have been very busy with them. I am glad for this family but I don't want to be a General. I have been to the school for last night and we will be going to school, that is, of the 1st Co. with a lot of men as soon as possible. I have been very busy with the officers with my experience. For me, the 1st Co. of the C.M.S.O.S. was very busy. I have been very busy with the officers and I have been very busy with the officers. I have been very busy with the officers and I have been very busy with the officers.

is being replaced by the Browning with as much speed as possible. Of course there are a few 3rd Camp Officers who took the M.G. course at the advanced school here, but they are practically the only Browning officers who are ahead of us. It seems that they are gathering all officers & men who have any M.G. training at all to send over for a mighty wallop at the dying Hun.

Don't think that because I hardly ever mention the actual war news that I don't know what's going on. I haven't time to write about the news, and anyway you read better papers than I ever see down here & there is no use wasting time over the news. If all the rumors are true we 1st Bn. graduates will get across darn soon. I certainly do hope so. Tomorrow my company goes to the 1000 inch range for target practice, & I don't even have to look over my notes before going out tomorrow. It is a very comfortable feeling.

Nearly every day after supper about eight of these officer instructors get a football & kick it back & forth on our "company street." I have been kicking some also & have quite

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a reputation now as a punter. Tonight I kicked about ten 55 yard sky-scrapers + ~~about~~ around 45 + 50, but it is awfully hard to get good ones in the deep sand. I always stay right here on our street because up on Pennsylvania Avenue Howard Berry has his tent + every once in a while he sends up some observation balloons + they sure do soar. I don't even know him by sight but you can tell when he kicks. He is getting up a team to play Georgia Tech, but none of that stuff for me. The flu will spoil his plans, and anyway I wouldn't play a game for anything, with an overseas exam staring me in the face.

That may be all bunko about overseas but - as usual - we will soon know. At any rate we only stay with the 3rd Bu. this week, + I am quite sure we won't be hooked for the 4th, at least I am praying to break loose from the O.T.S. It is so much more real being a lieut. in the groups + just the thing for a new officer as far as experience is concerned. They get everything down there -

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guard duty, infantry drill, m.g. work with actual machine gunners (not intelligent prospective officers), equitation, administration, punishments, and a large variety of officers' jobs. This m.g. instruction in the O.T.S. is too narrow, - nothing but instruction, in charge of eight men, no company work, no experience in handling men, only the same old m.g. work. I am just hoping to get out. It's no place for an inexperienced officer. He gets no idea of a real officer's work, at least he gets no practice in it.

I went down to the 2nd group the other night just for a walk & there I saw good old Buckskin Edwards who is everything but C.C. in his company now. He is Mess officer, supply officer, sanitary officer, Equitation instructor for the whole group, administration officer, & the C.C. has the influenza now so he is acting C.C. & there are 320 men in the company. That is real experience for a man, & look at me! Buckskin is an old soldier & can handle it but it would be good experience for anyone. Sometime I will tell you about Buckskin. He is a wonder! The class

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of men in the 2nd Group is fine now. All the East Siders have been sent across & the new men are all from North Dakota, Minnesota, & Wisconsin - big, husky farmers who would do anything for their officers, even these new birds. They are all eager & interested & that type of man could win any war.

When a corpse is shipped home, a non com accompanies it, & there is not a non com left on duty in the 2nd Group. Every company has had between nine and fifteen deaths from influenza, but it is being slowly stamped out.

It has been awfully cold around here for three days & like Greenland at night, but my three blankets & bedding roll keep me warm as toast & tempt me to sleep through reveille every morning. A bedding roll can be made into a waterproof sleeping bag easily & it keeps the wind out beautifully.

Don't expect me home for good for six months after the peace treaty is signed which I hope doesn't occur for a year or more.

I really like the army & would hate to give up a \$141.66 $\frac{2}{3}$ job for anything I could make elsewhere, in civilian life. It is a good life & after I get on my feet, the financial end suits me.

The State of Illinois gives all men from that state who are commissioned \$400.00 to start them off, - that is, it lends the new officer \$400.00 for an indefinite period. That is just to show you what it is supposed to cost to outfit a new lieutenant, but I am through begging from you, as a full pay check, minus liberty bonds, insurance, & board will be around in 2 weeks, & I have that beautiful check of yours in my pocket. It really is wonderful the way you go on sending me money after I am supposed to be self supporting. I really will be by November first, but I have cost you quite a large sum of money in the last few years, isn't that so? and you have been some generous. Rather teaspending, good-for-nothing

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son.

Tankersley says "Tell yer pa that I'd like a job as his shawfer." Then, on second consideration he told me to tell you that whenever you needed a good sheriff, he would take the job. He is always talking about me taking him home with me & how he would shock the "folks". I told him, "How is a little runt like you going to shock anyone?" He says "Why, I aint house broke, What would I doat dinner with about eleven forks in front of me? I couldn't figure out what to eat with each one." He reminds me somewhat of James Baker for looks, but he thinks no Easterner could understand him & that he wouldn't know how to act. He is a bright fellow but never had much education.

It is late & cold & the Easterner sounds good to me. Thanks again for the check & lots of love to Mother & yourself.

Your loving son,
Hugh.

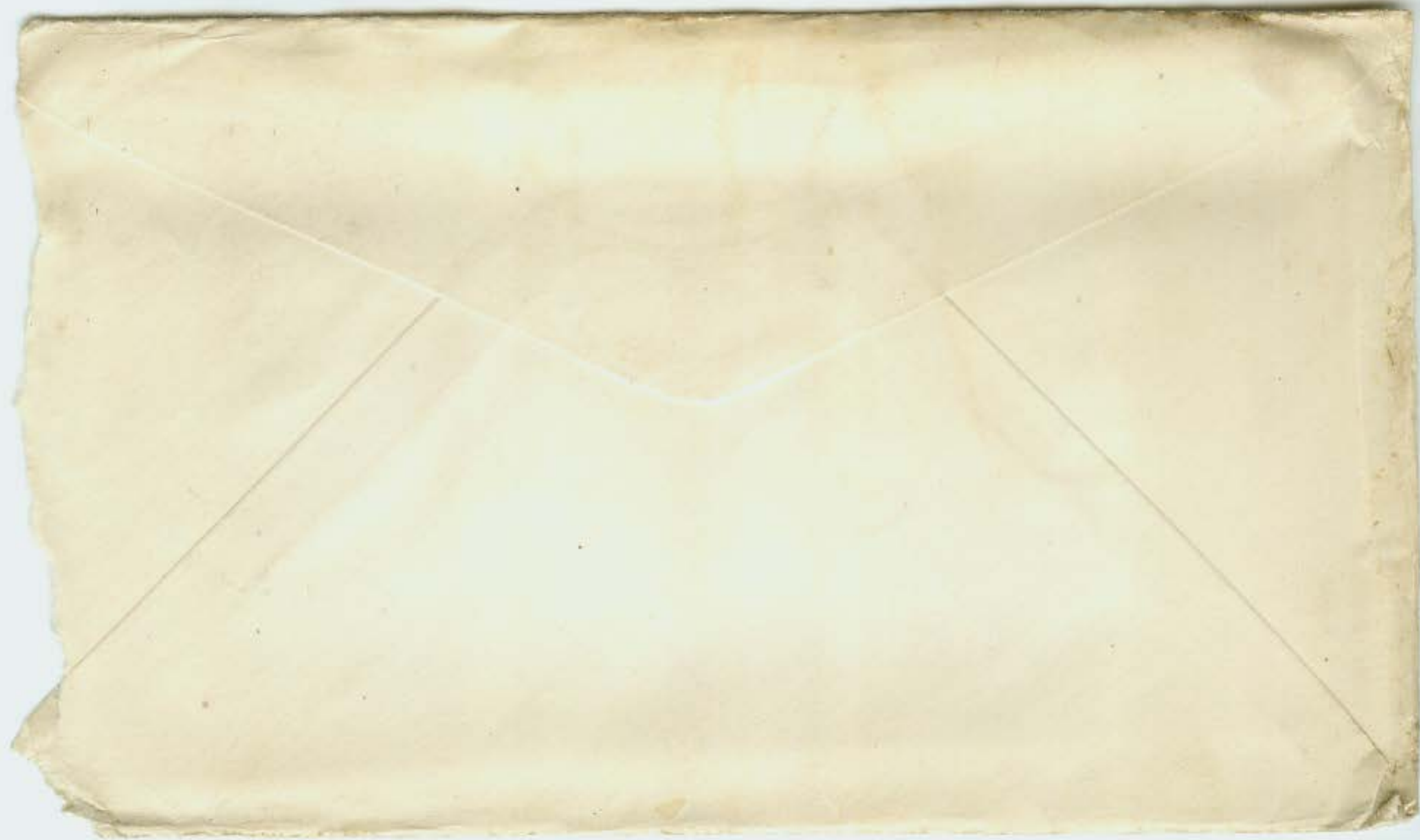
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I am sure you will be well soon.
I am, Sir, very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
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Judge Henry C. Lingley
Belleville
Penn.



October 12, 1918

Dear Dad,-

Today is my last day with the Second Battalion, but I have to instruct in the 3rd Bu. next week, for a week only. They were using non-com. instructors in the 3rd, but found they were no good, so we are taking their places for a week until they learn some more from the British sgt. majors. Then I cannot imagine where we are going, but there is one thing I am sure of, & that is that there will be no leaves granted till after the quarantine is lifted. That is an order from the Commanding General.

How is Mary? She must be better or I would have heard something from you or Mother. Influenza & Pneumonia are surely raising the dickens in this country, but the plague is on the decline here now according to the latest reports.

I hope you have sent my laundry back, because I surely do need it.

A lot of 2nd Lieuts who graduated from the 1st Bu. are at different camps all over the country. Bailey Brown was the only one

that I know who was sent to Camp Stevens and he pretty nearly went crazy when he heard where he was going. He has been living just outside of Boston for four years & Stevens is less than thirty miles from there. Kyle went to Custer, I think, and McDermott & Peterson went to Lewis where they will get ready to spend the winter in Siberia.

I think I shall send you a little birthday present if I can find anything in camp. We can't get out except by walking five miles & even then it's no use as a soldier cannot enter any building in August. If I can't find anything, I want to wish you a happy birthday & just as many more years as successful as the ones that have gone before. I wish I could have spent your birthday with you and I probably would have if the "Fili" hadn't swamped the camp & the non-com. instructors hadn't petered out as they did.

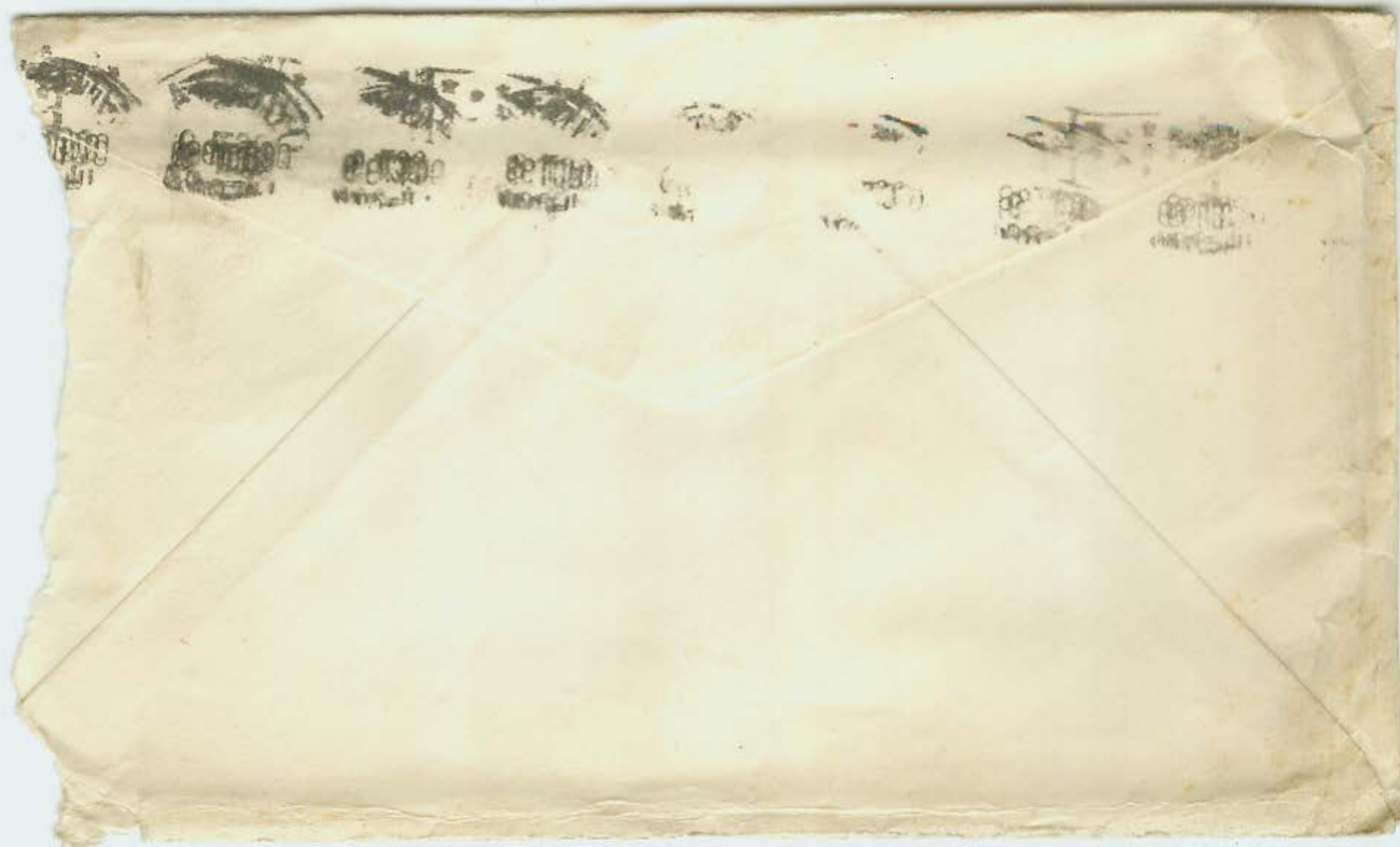
Good luck & prosperity to you, Dad!

Your loving son,

Hugh.



Mrs. Henry C. Dingley
Belleville
Penn.



It hasn't ~~rained~~ here for about ten days and the dust is something terrific. It is not like northern dust, but this is powdered clay + sand + it rises in clouds everywhere. The "Flu" seems to be subsiding, as there were only two hundred new cases and sixty deaths in camp yesterday. That sounds awful, but it is some improvement over previous days. The fact that we aren't going to the range does not alter my need for money by Sat., as I might get a chance to head north, though I am afraid to even hope for it. Campbell is the nearest camp to Bellefonte + therefore we for it. That is my big hope now, but there are hundreds of camps, so you see what my chances are.

Katherine Beaver's mother underwent a serious operation on Friday + K. herself has appendicitis, though it isn't decided whether she is to be operated on, too, or not.

Lots of love to you + Dad. Your loving son,
Hugh.

P.S. I just walked up to the bulletin board + saw a notice stating that the 2nd Br. will not go to the range tomorrow ~~and~~ "by order of (over)"

the Commanding General"; so that is settled for
once & all. But I wonder what will happen from
tomorrow noon till Saturday. as the final comes
tomorrow & the course ends on Saturday. Lots of
room for speculation there.

If Colonel Wade H. Westerland should step
into the third tent up the line from this one,
there would be four less lts in the U.S.A.
Four boys are shooting crap & they have
real money & no chicken feed on the bunk.
The colonel wouldn't stand for that a minute,
and wouldn't hesitate to kick them out
on the spot.

Lots of love again
Hugh

October 8, 1918

Dear Mother:-

The second battalion goes to the range tomorrow, so I will write to you tonight as I probably won't have an opportunity to write again till Sunday. We march out tomorrow afternoon and back Saturday morning. The poor candidates have their three hour final exam tomorrow morning; the range practices are only to give them an idea of actual long range firing. The prospects for next week are still very vague although there is a slight alteration in the "dope" on the subject. One of the lieuts. says there is an unpublished order at Lige which will send us to new divisions next week. He claims it is absolutely a fact, & I hope it is, but the surest things often do not come to pass in this army. Another thing that affects us is the fact that all the new lieuts who were sent to the Officers' Advanced School were relieved yesterday because they had covered the ground in our course. Some of the 1st 50 were sent up there last Monday, and it was found that they knew all the stuff included in the 1st four weeks of the course, which is really elementary work. The other four weeks is more advanced & they will probably go back for that, although they were sent to

groups yesterday. So the the most likely
 thing to happen is for us to go out to a
 division. I only hope it turns out that way.
 Last night a lieut. named Colburn came in to
 my tent and asked me if I recognized a
 picture he had. It was a little snapshot of
 the three Sloop Children on the steps of the
 Bellefonte Academy + even that made me wish
 I was home. Colburn is engaged to Mrs. Sloop's
 sister but he doesn't want Mrs. Sloop to know
 it yet, so don't tell her. Colburn came from New
 Mexico, but his family lives in Philadelphia.
 I got a letter from Helen Swigley a few days
 ago. She is at Science Hill School, Shelbyville,
 Ky., as you probably know, but it surely
 had me fooled till I opened it, for the writing
 looked somewhat similar to Henrietta's +
 on the back was "from H.S. Swigley" etc. She
 is having a fine time, is Captain of her class
 basketball team, and enjoys it generally, or
 says she does. Though I imagine she is homesick.
 On Sunday I went down to the 1st group
 and saw a lot of old 5th Co. men, especially
 Kyle, Adams, + Brown. They just came back
 from a ten day leave, or which they all, of
 course, had a wonderful time. They are the

of the best men I know.

Sunday night McDermott came over from the 5th Group to see me. He is getting away with a lot as an M.G. supervisor. He is really very intelligent & works hard all the time, though his education is nothing at all & he speaks awful English. He is gone by now, I think, probably to Camp Lewis, Wash., & from there later to Siberia. He knew he was going Sunday but not where to, as he had orders to remain in the Group area, although he hadn't received his travel order then. Peterson, who was in the same company, was slated to go also, and both of them were pleased to pieces. The Major offered to use his influence to get Mc's name off the list if Mc would stay but Mc said no thanks. There ~~were~~ ^{are} two more awfully fine men. Both of them would do anything for a friend and they both are about the same type - not very well educated, awfully good-hearted, and good natured - but Pete is quieter and slower than Mac and not as funny. I don't know which I like better. The company they were assigned to in the fifth group was composed of Alabama men

entirely and 138 of them had the hook-
worm - actually had it - & were given the
three day starvation & salts cure. These
southerners from the lower classes are hoppers.

Just at this point a lieut. stepped in
& announced that Brig. Gen. Edwards has
issued an order calling off the Ind. br's
hike and range work on account of the
influenza. Anyway I have a pack of a
bedding roll, trench coat, & three blankets.
I bought a third blanket - (from the D.M. #4.50)
this morning for use on the range, as we
sleep on the ground there & I have a slight
cold anyway. That won't alter the need
for a comforter, as the D.M. doesn't keep them.
I also got a housewife at the D.M. for 20¢.
It has needles, thread, buttons, safety pins, and
a little pair of scissors - all for 20¢, - so
you needn't bother about getting me one.
The bedding roll & coat are both necessities but
I might have postponed getting ^(bed roll) it, if I had
known we weren't going to the range. Maybe
we are, anyway, because you can only believe
what you see over the General's signature &
nothing you hear.

~~Jul 28~~



Mrs. Henry C. Ingley



~~Bellefonte~~

~~Penn.~~

Kent-Place School
Summit - New Jersey



October 6, 1918.

Dear Mother:

A leave of absence is still as doubtful as ever, but at any event I won't be sent to the third battalion. They are using sergeant instructors with three lt. supervisors per company and have started on their course all ready, so they don't need any of us from the 2nd bu. Of course there is a chance of the 4th bu. but they won't be ready for their w.g. course for six weeks.

We are having fine weather here, but when it doesn't rain the dust is frightful, as it is in any army camp. It is cold at night and warm all day, - sometimes a little too warm for comfort, but that is better than having it too cold.

I wrote to Scotty the other day but didn't know his company so the letter may be lost, so if you can find what his address is, I would like to have it.

I just received your letter dated Oct 4 this morning. C.C. = Company Commander as you found out for yourself. C.O. = Commanding Officer, usually a Colonel or General, perhaps a Major. Colonel Westmoreland is my C.O.

Don't ever let yourself or Dad whisper a word to anyone about promotions & that sort

of stuff, because if it ever got to anyone here, I would be absolutely ruined, ~~and so~~ would Capt. Ord. He was foolish to even mention it to me, to say the least. He did it out of fondness for Dad, I know, but pulling any of that stuff in the army is the height of folly, and might be disastrous to all concerned. It is foolish for me to be even discussing it with you anyway, because there are so many snobs who have seen years of service and are what they call "experienced", and when they are looking for men to promote or send to responsible jobs - they don't usually pick any 21 year old lieutenants with only five months experience behind them. So please don't refer to that subject any more in writing to me and in talking to Dad. Get it out of your heads entirely!

With my next laundry I will send one of those handkerchiefs - a clean one - so you can examine it.

Now I am going to try and explain my financial situation and needs to you and Dad. This is really meant for Dad but it is too much trouble writing

a separate letter to each of you when I haven't much to say of importance.

This green ink is the only kind to be had in camp, and I suppose it will fill the bill all right. At least, it can be read, and that is the main idea.

Well, this financial problem is some sweet problem for anything less than a millionaire. In my mind there are just two possible cases where a new lieutenant can be satisfied with the stuff he gets. One is where he has all the money he can possibly use. Then mistakes don't matter much. The other is when he knows a real, old Regular Army Officer who will tell him and advise him just what to do about getting himself equipped. Now, most new lieutenants have neither of those aids, a few have the first one and none have the second one. You can imagine the trials of a 2nd Lt. when good bedding rolls cost \$18.00, poor ones \$8.00; a trench coat costs \$55.00 and rain is dangerous with all this influenza and besides we go to the range for three days this week and both of the above mentioned articles are

indispensable.

We were paid a few days ago - \$70.53 for half a month. No one knows definitely about the raise in pay. We were pretty sure of it for a while and I signed up for four \$5.00 liberty bonds on the \$5.00 per month basis, which is the only ^{way} a soldier can buy them except through some civilian. That means \$20.00 per month out of my pay till September 1919 when I will get the bonds. I thought it out for two days, considering everything I could, and finally decided on four. The number taken by the officers around here ran from 1 to 9, most of them about five. If the pay is increased, everything will be fine & dandy, but if it isn't, my finances won't be so easily managed for a couple of months. It is a good way to save money and it helps a good cause, but it is pretty hard at the beginning of one's career to drop \$20.00 a month out of one's salary when there are so many things to buy, and which must be bought.

Out of that seventy bucks came fifteen for board (left), \$55.00 for a trench coat and \$18.00 for a bedding roll. On the required

overseas equipment list there is a pair of field boots, preferably two. My plan is to get a pair of semi-dress boots, which can either be used for dress or for trench boots. They have a little bit of lacing over the instep and at the top which makes them easier to get on & off. They look better & are more serviceable than dress boots. Then, sometime in the future, I will get a pair of hunting boots for the roughest kind of work. Also I may have to buy a ticket home next week (possible but very improbable) and that costs about \$10.00, so you can see that I need some money. I really ought to have \$100.00.)

I hate to ask you (Dad) for it but this getting started with just the necessities of an officer is some job. The trouble comes in having to buy so much at the start, when if it were spread out over four or five months, it would be easy, but our C.O. instructed us at the beginning that about Oct 10 he was going to inspect us for overseas equipment, just to see how we were progressing, and I might as well have something to show him. Anything that you cannot afford to give me will be paid back in the spring, but I sure do need

something extra now. And the main idea is to get it before Saturday, the 12th, because, if but any chance I should get a leave, I would need some of it that very day. Could you send it as a money order? A check is awfully hard to cash around this place, though a draft is all right if the line at the paying window of the bank isn't over eighty-five long.

I thought I was going to be self supporting immediately upon receiving a commission, but in this land of robbers where you can't get a leave to buy your stuff in the north, it is a dream which won't come true for a month more. It will, positively, when the November pay comes around, especially if it is \$185.00.

Have you (Mother) any old comfortable in your supply that you could send me. Under "Equipment required", in the way of bedding, comes, bedding roll, comfortable, 2 blankets O.D., pillow, & pillow cases. I have everything except the comfortable, and if you have an old one which is good and warm and not too loud in color, it will save me buying one down here. >

could buy one here if you haven't any to spare, and the one you send will ~~get~~^{see} some real service, but I will need one of some description soon. The color makes no difference as far as regulations are concerned, but a dull colored one would be better because of dust and the conditions under which it must be used.

It can be old and nearly worn out, just so it will hold together and not lose all its stuffing during one winter. If there is any doubt in your mind as to whether you can spare one, don't send it but let me know what you think on the subject. In fact you had better not send it anyway till you hear what will become of me next week. It can be a wide one or narrow, but the more of it there is the better it suits me, both in width, length, & warmth. The two blankets I have are beauties - regular Ordnance horse blankets. They cost \$6.00 a piece, while Q.M. blankets are only \$4.50 but not nearly so big & warm & with some cotton in them. The ones I have are the best blankets made anywhere, without exception. I would get you some of them, except that it is against the law to use them for anything but in line of duty.

I saw that Levi Lamb had been wounded, and where do you suppose I read it?

In the Roff, Pontotac Co., Okla. "Eagle". It is some paper. A lieutenant named Purifal gets it daily from home. It is full of items like the ones that used to appear in ~~Harper's~~ ^{Harper's} Weekly from all over the country. Tankersly gets the Comanche, Okla. "Reflex" and that is quite a sheet, too. Here is a news item about Tank's girl - the first named one. "Misses Maggie Mae Pruitt + Frankie Wilson departed Friday for Chickasha, where they will attend Oklahoma College for Women, this winter." Then there is a long article about "K. F. Young, a notorious mud creek character" who stole off a parcel all night with a .38. S&W Winchester + then was found dead of heart failure in the morning. It ends like this: "And thus it is. A renegade may terrorize his fellows just so long + then Providence steps in and cuts the vicious off in their crimes." Tank once knocked this same man down with a soda bottle when he started to tell Tank what a little runt he was. That was in a dance hall.

So Melvin Locke ranks me, does he? I don't see how they got that way. Some of those Plattsburg boys were down here too + they got away with it. After they had taken that one month course they were commissioned + sent to the Advanced School here! Some

of them had to work to prove they were 18 yrs old. Lieut. Macdonald saw some of them there & they made him sick. They used to come out to gun drill with whipcord trousers & cordovan boots or puttees on, - all dolled up for a party. They are all going back to college as instructors. They can't see active duty till they are 21. I am glad to see Babe Locke come through, for he has been trying so long to make a real camp, but one month & then a commission gets me!

Here is another thing I can't get here & would like to have. That is ~~an~~ Gillette safety razor blades. They are hard to get, but perhaps there are some in Bellefonte.

I got a letter from E. Allen the other day. She is at Ward-Belmont school in Nashville, but would rather loaf around Augusta playing with officers all winter. The Jacks will be home for the winter soon & I will have to go in & see them, if the jitney law ever subsides. We can't ride in cars or trolleys or enter theatres, soda fountains or any public place. The influenza is surely raising the dickens in the army. There

are about 125,000 cases in camps alone now. The ambulances here are moving day & night, and still the cases increase. The fatality is 1 out of 27 I believe. Every tent in this camp must be furled all day now so the sun can beat on the bunks & floor. There have been 44,000 casualties since the U.S. entered the war, and this Flu has knocked out three times that many in a few weeks. It is like a plague in some of the cities, too, especially Boston.

You have done splendidly about my bonds & go ahead & buy all I have funds for. The more the merrier. It is the best place for that money to be. It is fine to have Dad speaking for the Liberty Loan. That show shoe showing was wonderful.

I will have to stop now & do some studying.

Lots of love to you both.

Your loving son,

Hugh.

After.....days, return to

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Co.....Regt.....

Hancock Branch,
AUGUSTA, GEORGIA.



Judge H. C. Dingley
Belleville
Penn.



October 1, 1918

Dear Dad:-

We got through a little early today so I thought I would give you some of the latest dope affecting me. In the first place it is definitely decided that we hundred instructors go up to the advanced mg. school soon after Oct 13, which is the day on which the 2nd Bu finishes its course. That course lasts six weeks and a new class begins each week & each class has only fifty in it, so ~~half~~ of us won't go up there immediately & may get a seven day leave. General Edwards has ordered that no M.G. officer shall be transferred from this camp until having completed the advanced course. That suits me very well. Before that order was issued lots of officers had been transferred to Camp Custer & other camps out west.

Have you heard about the bill which is reported to have been signed by President Wilson the other day, raising a 2nd Lt's pay from \$141.20 to \$185.20? It seems to be true but we haven't been paid yet so I haven't any real proof of it. It sounds fine, doesn't it?

They are closing everything like shows & gathering places on account of the

Spanish Influenza. It is some disease! and spreads like wildfire. The first day it hit this place it filled the base hospital, & it has almost put Camp Devens out of action in three weeks. The cases increase at the rate of a hundred a day or more. In the new fifth Company, O.T.S., a new man died of it or something like it the other day.

In one of the Service Companies a Greek refused to work & the C.C. told the 1st Sgt to punish him. The 1st Sgt. ordered another Sgt to pick himself a detail & mob up on the man & they sure did - with clubs & rope, etc. until the poor Greek was nearly dead. Then some O.T.S. men heard the row & nearly mobbed all the officers & NCOs of the service company. The result is that the 1st Sgt is in the guard house & the Company Commander is about to face a General Court Martial & maybe about 5 years in the pen.

This man Tankersley is a card. I started to call him "the man from Red Dog" & Pearson calls him the bartender of the Pig and Dog Saloon. He comes back with "the Blue Stocking Puritan from Massachusetts" for me, and "the Dude" for Pearson. He is a real western cow puncher with a lot

of civilization + common sense, but he surely has some funny ideas.

I am going to answer Mother's last letter now also. I received the blouse + sock + they will all come in handy.

Here is something I can do for you. If Judge's salaries are taxed + I get a raise in pay, I will pay the tax. How does that suit you. I can easily do it.

Tell Mother that everything I have now is my own property + she can sew my name on anything I send home, + I wish she would, if it isn't too much trouble.

The first 150 were given a damn fine job but I don't like it, that's all. Anything but turning out lieuts by the hundred each month. It's no fun, but it will soon be over for me. The hundred instructors have nothing to do with the 50 company officers from the 1st bu. They only hold reveille, retreat + loaf around. Their companies are taking the m.g. course which they have nothing to do with. We do all the instructing.
Mother never got wise to the fact that

of civilization & common sense, but the
was some funny ideas.
I am going to answer further in the
also. I received the letter & box & they will
all come in handy.

Here is something I can do for you. If you
please give me a box & I will send you
(will pay the tax. I will send you a box.)
I will send you a box.

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all the men who came from the 4 companies at
 Devens came down on the same train, with
 me as a lt sgt and were all put in the
 5th Co C.M.G.O.T.S. A week later seven men
 from Camp Hunston were added, & that was
 "Good Old Company Five" from June till September
 the most widely known company in the school, &
 that is a fact. Since Camp Devens had all
 N.E. men, therefore there were no New England
 men here except those in the 5th Co. Each
 company in the 27 represents some camp
 or section of country & that makes some
 pretty hard feelings between them.

I don't believe the Army is very speedy
 in producing insurance premiums, but
 you will get one in time, I hope. I have
 been paying \$6.50 per month since May
 on it & they ought to come across soon.

Lots of love to Mother & yourself.

Your loving son,

Hugh

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men here except those in the 2nd Co. 1st
company in the 1st regiment. Some men
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pretty good feelings between them.

I don't believe the army is very healthy
in preparing themselves for service, but
you will get me in time, I hope. I have
been fighting for many years now
and it is very hard to see a man who
lacks of love & devotion & himself.
You know me,
H. H.

P.S. Will you find
out Orue Keller's
address & where he
is now for me. He
isn't at the Arsenal
& I can't locate him.
I would like to drop
around & talk to him
on equal terms.
Hugh.

B. H. W. ...
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Hancock Branch,
AUGUSTA, GEORGIA.



Mrs. Henry C. Dingley
Belleville
Penn.



1. September 29, 1918

Dear Mother:-

The situation has changed a bit since I wrote to Dad this morning. It seems that a lot of 2nd Lt's went to town yesterday before finding whether their names were in that telegram or not. Just after I sealed Dad's letter telling about Lt. MacDonald still being a second Lieut. I stepped out on the company street and saw him with a silver bar on his collar. At lunch, or dinner, I heard that nearly all the officers of the O.T.S. have been promoted, even Gillespie, who was C.C. of the 5th Co after Jones left for the advanced M.G. course. I never told you how I forged his name some 400 times, did I? On that last night in the 5th Co when we signed & filled out papers from 10 till 2.30 AM all the clothing had been turned in and checked off on each man's "Individual Clothing Record" by the supply sgt. - Ted Kyle. The C.C. has to initial every entry on the clothing records and Gillespie wanted to do something else that evening, so he called me in after supper & asked me to sign his initials on a piece of paper. I did - H.M.G. - and he said that it was pretty good forging. I was almost afraid he was going to accuse me of signing his name to something, when he asked me to initial each clothing record in four or five places for him. That took me from seven-thirty

till ten o'clock & when I went to bed the next morning I felt as though I had stayed up all night studying for a final exam.

This advanced M.G. course I have spoken of is probably where I will land in about five weeks. It is a five weeks course & one starts tomorrow. Gillespie & a lot of O.T.S. officers are going to this one, and also a few men who just graduated with me from the O.T.S. They were among the best 50, who were assigned to the O.T.S. We 100 instructors, attached to the O.T.S. will finish teaching the 2nd bu. before we do anything else. Then I have an idea - it isn't a rumor, but merely an original idea, - that we will get a leave & report back here in time for the next advanced course, which will begin in five weeks. That is more of a dream than anything else, but is logical, at least.

A large number of the men who were sent to the groups have been ordered to be ready to leave for divisions in other camps, but they don't know where they are going yet. That is a wonderful opportunity, but we instructors probably won't get a chance at that yet, although there is a possibility. There are lots of things we can do, but until the day comes to do one of them, no one can tell which one it will be.

We may just stay here & take on the third battalion for its five weeks beginning the 11th of October, or we may be assigned to the fourth Bu. as company officers as the first 50 were. Then there is a possibility of a leave before that 4th Bu. chance, but not if we go to the 3rd Bu. Another one is a leave & then Advanced M.G. course, & after that a group or outside division or back to the O.T.S. as a supervisor, like the 3rd camp lieuts. are now.

Still another one is that on the 11th we get a leave and then report to a division or a group here. Then after all of the conjectures comes the possibility of France at any time. No one can tell, but all I want to do is become separated for good from this O.T.S. It is no fun just grinding out lieuts. at the rate of 600 a month. I would like to train men that I could stay with & fight with.

This is becoming some camp! Just think of grinding out 600 lieuts per month and about 2000 machine gunners every two weeks! Everyone seems to be either coming or going. Just a week ago about a hundred truck loads of men moved out about three in the morning from one of the groups just behind us.

We were very late in the morning
for the first time in the history of
October, as we were to be
as a company of officers on the first 20 were there
there is a possibility of a leave before that
for leave, but not if we go to the Indian. Under
there is a leave & then returned W.P. cannot
after that a group of outside division or back
to the O.T. as a supervisor, like the last camp
units, are now.

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stay with the 11th with.

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3000 machine gunners every two weeks!
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just a week ago about a hundred trucks loads
of men moved out about there in the morning
from one of the groups a first building was

It is a great system but the only trouble is that the enlisted men in this camp come from the East Side of N.Y. City & they are a weak, dirty, tough, foreign set of men. You never see a real American who isn't an officer or a non.com. At Devens that 76th Division was composed of over 50% of real, honest to gosh, lucky Americans, and they are wonderful soldiers, but most of them are in France now. All they have now are the men who fought hardest to keep out of the draft, & they are a weak bunch of foreigners. The new draft law will change the situation to some extent, but Lord help the U.S. Army if the personnel is like this everywhere. The rotten part of it is that in the Ordnance, or Audience as some one put it, there are thousands of intelligent, healthy men who ought to join the army, but feel safer where they are. I told you about one Ordnance man being transferred to the Infantry and his company hanging out a service flag for him, didn't I?

I was a second lieut. from the moment I held up my hand when the Battalion was sworn in on September 16th. although I didn't get the actual paper commission till

It is a great question but the only thing
that the English men in this camp came for
the East side of N.Y. City & there are a number, thirty
four, for various reasons. For various reasons
and no officer who would not have been
was. At present that 10th Division was
composed of over 20% of real, honest troops, but
American, and then one wonderful addition,
but most of them are in brown now. All they
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and his company being out a new officer
for him, didn't I?
I was a second lieutenant from the moment
I held up my hand when the battalion was
run in on September 10th, although
didn't get the extra paper examining

several days later. You can't beat any Bellefonte newspaper for getting things twisted & creating false impressions.

I surely was surprised to see that letter from Dick Taylor but it is fine that he is safe. You have often heard me speak of the 1918 delegation at the Z & W house & what a wonderful group of men they were, and especially of Jack Redfield, Lump Wood & Arch Kingsley. Well, the second one of those three is gone now. Jack Redfield has been an aerial artillery observer for some time & was reported "Missing in Action" the other day, & when an aeroplane is missing, good night to its occupants, except when they strike the very small chance of falling behind the German lines without being killed. There are two of the best men I ever knew - Jack & Lump - and Arch is the third. The last I heard of him was as a lieutenant at Camp Lee.

You have had lots of excitement with that new mail carrier, and I suppose soon there will be air routes all over the country. There has been a plane flying around over this camp on different occasions. It is from Washington, I believe.

I guess Vince Taylor is some officer. I was a damn fool for not trying to get into West

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a little fool for not trying to get into that

Point about that time, the way things have turned out. Its too bad about Ben Keller, but I would give a lot to trade places with him now, or get a chance to see some real fighting soon. This battle of Camp Hancock is quite a battle but it amounts to nothing compared to being in France. If I don't get over there before its over, I will never get over it as long as I live.

Those pigskin puttees are fine & are my good old work leggins day in & day out. And I am wearing my old wool trousers now. They are fine too, for work.

I am not O.S.R. or N.G. or anything like that but U.S.A. There was a bill passed not long ago making all distinctions void and calling every kind of troops, U.S. Army. That includes everything - Regulars, N.G., N.G., U.S.R. etc. Here is my official signature - Hugh M. Dingley, 2nd Lt. Inf. U.S.A. The M.G. Corps hasn't been formed yet so we were all commissioned in the Infantry, M.G. branch. The ornaments I wear are U.S. ~~XX~~ and 1 gold. I have been intending to send Henrietta a little ~~XX~~ for a birthday present but I forgot it. I will send it today anyway. It has been in my mind for quite a while. I never could find out my final Scott

Rating or any of my final marks, but only my standing in the Co. & Bu., which you know.

I saw "Hearts of the World" in town yesterday & it is some picture! The most realistic one I ever saw. I also went to Kieths & arranged to sit next to Shorty Collins. That is the nearest I could get to him without being caught by the Colonel or one of his aides & accomplices. I went up to the 21st Co. yesterday and asked the C.C. to have Land. Safford sent up to the head of the street. He was produced & I had quite a long talk with him. He will never come through unless he gets some back bone some how, & I don't see how he is going to get it.

I am writing on a big tablet of type-writer paper I bought for 45¢. Can I get away with it as writing paper? Lots of love to Dad & the Eaglewillians if you see them.

Your loving son,
Hugh.

P.S. I may as well tell you something about the "Overseas Equipment required by an Officer

beneath the rank of General." One requirement in which you can fool the Q.M.-officers sales room - is six pairs of heavy wool socks, and I have three here now, including the two that came this am in the laundry. There are 68 different things enumerated (counting "socks" as one article) from "Locker Trunk-1" and "Bedding Roll-1" to "Tags identification-2" and "pencil-1". It includes everything needed - trench coat, pistol, uniform, some equipment, steel helmet, gas mask, Sam Browne belt, canteen, bucket, etc. ad infinitum. There are a few articles ~~where~~ which you can provide if you wish, like "Housewife-1" and "pajamas, flannel 2". I don't need them now but if you ever run across a good housewife, send her down, but I can get everything myself, in time.

The other day I got one dozen linen handkerchiefs for \$1.80 at the Q.M., & they seem fine, for all I know about handkerchiefs and linen. That seems like a very reasonable price for linen handkerchiefs & if you want any for Dad I could smuggle them out to him. Maybe they cost no more anywhere else, but I don't know, don't send me any flannel pajamas yet as they would only take up room.

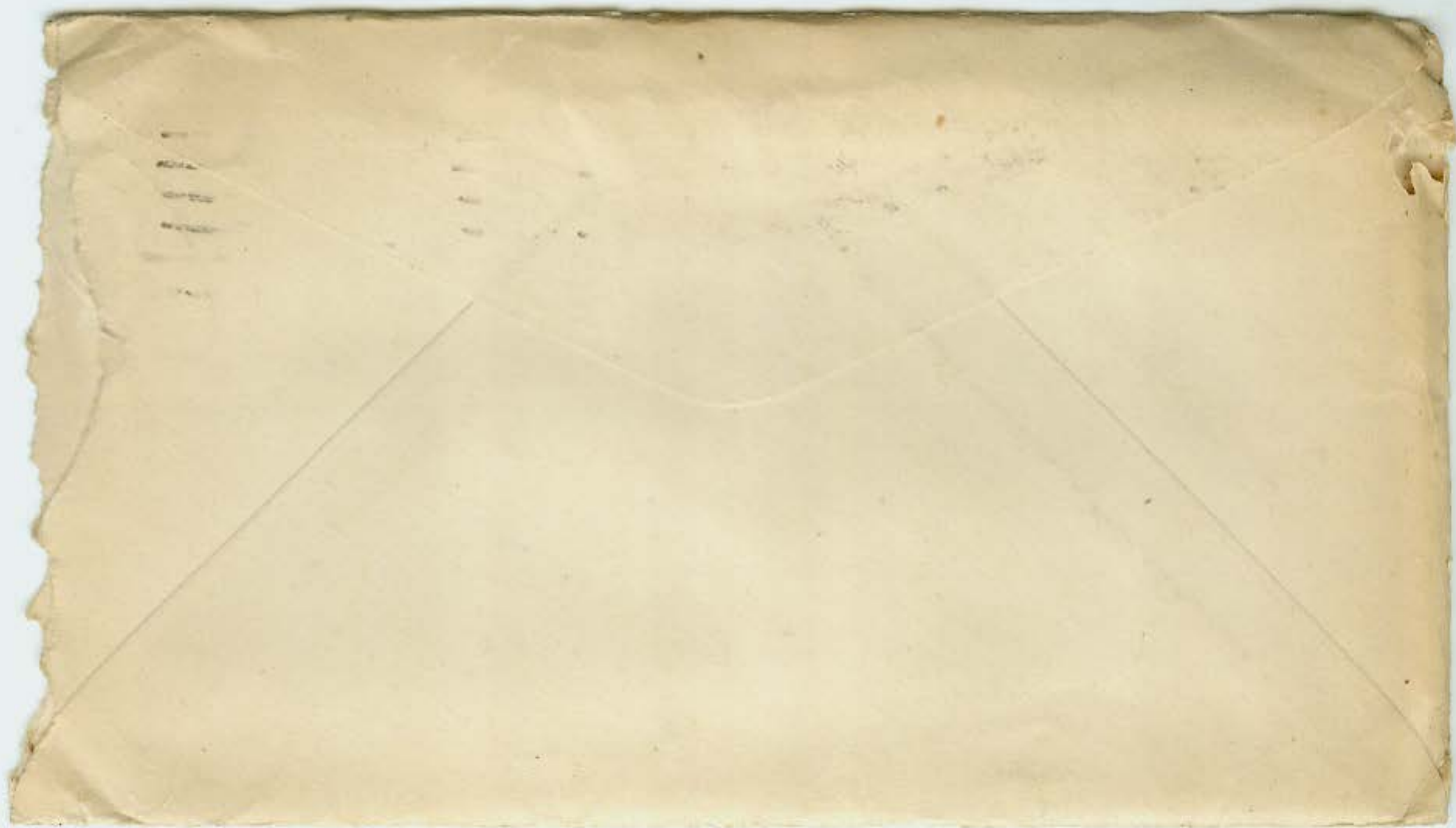
Your loving son,
Hugh.

After.....days, return to

H. H. M. Quigley
CMGOTS Post Office, Bldg. 832
Hancock Branch,
AUGUSTA, GEORGIA.



Judge Henry C. Quigley
Bellefonte
Penn.



September 29, 1918

Dear Dad:-

I received your letter, with Captain Ardis enclosed, yesterday, and I want to put you straight on that subject before you become too encouraged. The day after I got my commission I saw the Captain and talked to him a few minutes, and he handed me the same line about promotion. I am inclined to believe that it is all hot air. It couldn't be otherwise when you look around and see the hundreds of second lieuts from the third camp & even from the second. They are still seconds and till they clear the way by being promoted, what hope is there for the newly commissioned lieutenant? On Saturday a big, long telegram came from Washington naming a large number whose promotions were approved, but that is only a drop in the bucket. However, in Augusta yesterday, you could notice the increase in the number of majors, captains, & 1st lieuts. Lt. Jones, our old C.C., is now a captain. Still there are lots of men who came from the third school & who have passed the advanced M.G. course who are still seconds. Lt. MacDonald, one of the best I have seen yet, who is in charge of this "officers' company", is in that class. Also, that line about physical improvement

September 21, 1918

Dear Dad:

I received your letter, with Captain Orin
enclosed, yesterday, and I want to put you
straight on that subject before you become too
surprised. The day after I got my commission
I saw the Captain and talked to him a few
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it is all set now. It couldn't be otherwise when
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second lieutenants from the third camp & even
from the second. There are still records and
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C.C. is now a captain. Still there are lots of
men who came from the third school & who
have passed the examination w.p. course who
I find are now in the ranks. It shows that one
bare necessity, who is in charge of this "officer"
company is in that class.
Well, that sure about physical improvement.

makes me laugh. If I was in half as good condition now as I was when I left Camp Stevens I would be very much pleased. The work I have been doing here isn't what you would call physical - it is more mental. At Stevens we were actually tired and hungry twice a day and when I left there I was in about as good condition as I was last fall on the football squad. I weighed 188 at Stevens + I haven't weighed over 182 since I have been here, until yesterday when I was 187½ and that was caused entirely by the cool weather and fine food at officers' mess for two weeks.

Captain Ard is awfully nice to me whenever he sees me, and he evidently has some influence around here, but I think he is going a little far when he even mentions promotions to a new 2nd Lt. + then raises said 2nd Lt's father's expectations prematurely by handing him the same line. Nevertheless, Captain Ard is a good man to know and perhaps I might come up before him in the course of six or eight months, but I hope to be elsewhere five and a half or seven and a half months before then.

I think the captain thinks so much of Judge Dingley + is so anxious to do something

for him, that he makes some rash statements that might cause a false impression. So don't be encouraged. You understand that I am very much indebted to Captain Ard for the interest he has taken in me, but I just don't want you to have any premature hopes.

I don't remember thanking you for the two hundred bucks you sent to me two weeks ago, except through Mother & in an indirect way. However, now I want to thank you very much officially, and tell you that you always have been wonderful about sending me money and anything I wanted wherever I have been. I busted the last twenty last night & it has just come out right and I now have a uniform, extra trousers, puttees, shoes (2 prs), two blankets, a mattress, two shirts, a barracks cap, and other things that I can't think of now. On the first I will get a check for \$70.00 for half a month's pay. My pay is \$141.66 $\frac{2}{3}$ per month, & board is \$1.10 a day. Tent & cots are free for the time being. I still have some equipment to get. You ought to see the list of stuff an officer must have before going overseas.

Lots of love to Mother.

Your loving and grateful son,

Hugh.

for him, that he wishes some real statement
that might cause a false impression as
to the situation of the business. For understanding that
we were much indebted to Captain and for the
interest he has taken in us, but I just don't
want you to have any premature notions
about the situation of the business. I don't remember for the
two hundred books you sent to me two weeks ago.
except through the hands of an indirect way.
However, as I want to thank you very much
officially, and tell you that you always have
been wonderful about sending us money and
supplies, I would like to say a few words
about the last twenty days. I don't know
how you came out right and I am sure
a uniform, extra trousers, buttons, caps, and
two shirts, a vest, a watch, and a pocket
square. I don't think of you. On the first
I will give a check for \$10.00 for half a month's
pay. My pay is \$11.66 2/3 per month, & board is
\$1.00 a day. There are five for the two days
I still have some equipment to get for myself
see the list of stuff on officer's list and some before
going overseas.

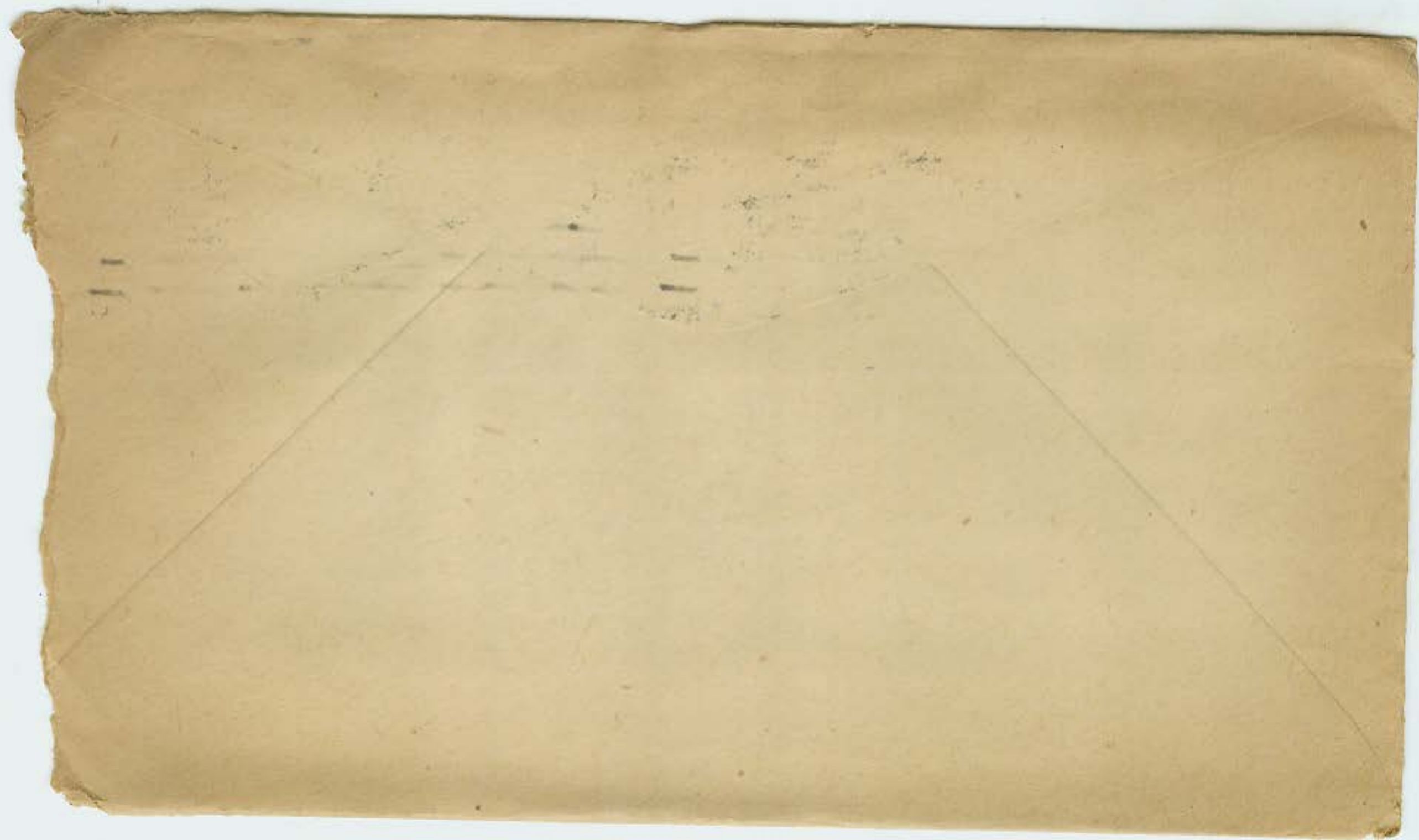
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Hugh.



"WITH THE COLORS"



Mrs. Henry C. Quigley
Belleville
Penn.





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YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION
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September 22, 1918

Dear Mother:-

At last I have time to write a letter, but alas! I haven't the inspiration. It has been as cold as Alaska here for three days. At night we nearly freeze and during the day it doesn't get very warm. You haven't heard anything I have been doing for almost two weeks, & I haven't an awfully clear idea of it myself, except that I am a 2nd Lieut. now with a rather poor job. We spent a awful four or five days before last Sunday worrying, but on Sunday everything was decided. One by one the unfortunates were called in and told what their fate was, & everyone else had to turn in all issued clothing, etc. We sat in

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the mess hall on Sunday evening from nine to two thirty filling out final statements, discharges and all kinds of papers. Then on Monday we were on our feet all day - a review which lasted all morning with speeches, and several formations for pictures in the afternoon. We also took the oath en masse that afternoon + thereby were made officers in the U.S. Army. We were set free from Monday at 4 PM till Tuesday at 9 AM, + told where to report on Tuesday. Harry Miller + I stayed in town and went to see Elizabeth Allen + took her to a show.

The next day 50 graduates were assigned to the O.T.S., as company officers, + 100 of us were attached, about 15 per Co, to the 2nd Bu. The remaining 500 had reported to the different groups in the M.G.T.C. + were assigned to Cos. there.



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The hundred instructors are now living in 25 tents in a grove about $\frac{1}{4}$ mile from the 2nd Bu. & we sure do work - eight hours in the day & usually two at night. It isn't my idea of being an officer, however, as I would like to have a platoon in some company. This O.T.S. job is no good, but when the 2nd Bu. graduates on Oct. 11, then you may expect something to happen. ~~the~~ First, I may get a ten or twelve day leave; second, I may be sent to the Advanced school of fire; third, I may be sent out of this camp to a division; and lastly, I may get a real job in the O.T.S. You understand, the only thing I don't like about this job is that it's like being

a man without a country. It is practically the same job I had before as a sgt instructor only I like it less as a lieut.

Enclosed are some souvenirs of the great war which you can keep for me. Don't lose the negatives.

I am also sending you a copy of the Augusta Chronicle, this town's most flourishing paper. It contains a list of the graduates of the school by rank, & I send the whole thing, just to show you what kind of stuff they put out here. All the names checked are from the 5th Co, and I missed a lot, because 123 graduated from our Co of 132. I was 35 in the Co & about 150 in the Bu. Poor old Saff is now in the 21st Co. 4th Bu for another month of infantry work. He may get a commission on the 11th.

I got the watch & it surely was a welcome arrival, as I never have known whether it



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was night or day for weeks.

Also if it isn't too much trouble you can send me the wool blouse I have at home unless there is something wrong with it, that is moths or tears or anything like that. Sox can only be bought for 75¢ per pair down here & if you can lay out about six pairs & send them along, I will be very grateful. Remember that address: -

C.M.G.O.T.S. Post Office
Building #32.

As I have told you, I live in a squad tent with three other men, & you sure do strike men from everywhere here in the army. One of the lieuts is named Pearson and he is a very

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interesting young fellow from Wisconsin who ~~used~~ played football at Notre Dame last fall. And speaking of football, Lieut. J. Howard Berry's tent is just 100 yds from our row.

Another of my bunkies is Westerfield, from New Mexico. He was in the old 5th Co. & came from Camp Hunston. He had just passed the bar exams last Sept. when he was drafted.

Then there is a tiny lieutenant named Tankersley, from Oklahoma, & he is a dandy. He was everything from a cowboy to a junior partner in an oil company. There are lieutenants in this row of tents from New England, (Camp Devens), Penna. - Scranton (Camp Meade), Washington, California, Alabama, Texas, Kansas, & most every other state, but when you look them over, the ones from New England have them all stopped for intelligence. You



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could see that in the way the 5th Co stood up under the strain. It only lost 11 men in all & the others lost anywhere from 20 to 45. There seem to be more college men in New England than anywhere else.

The first day I attended officers' call at 11.45 Lieut. Shook shook me by the hand & congratulated me, & I had the satisfaction of telling him that he surely had me scared to death.

You should have seen the new 2nd Lieuts. in Augusta last Monday night, & every night we have had off since then.

Yesterday Harry Miller & I went in to see Elizabeth Allen & say good by to her. He is leaving for boarding school.

tomorrow. But we didn't stay
in town all night, as we have
iron spring cots now & I bought
a \$6.00 cotton mattress which is
a beauty & makes me feel as
though I was at home. We
just turned over & went back
to sleep at reveille this morning.

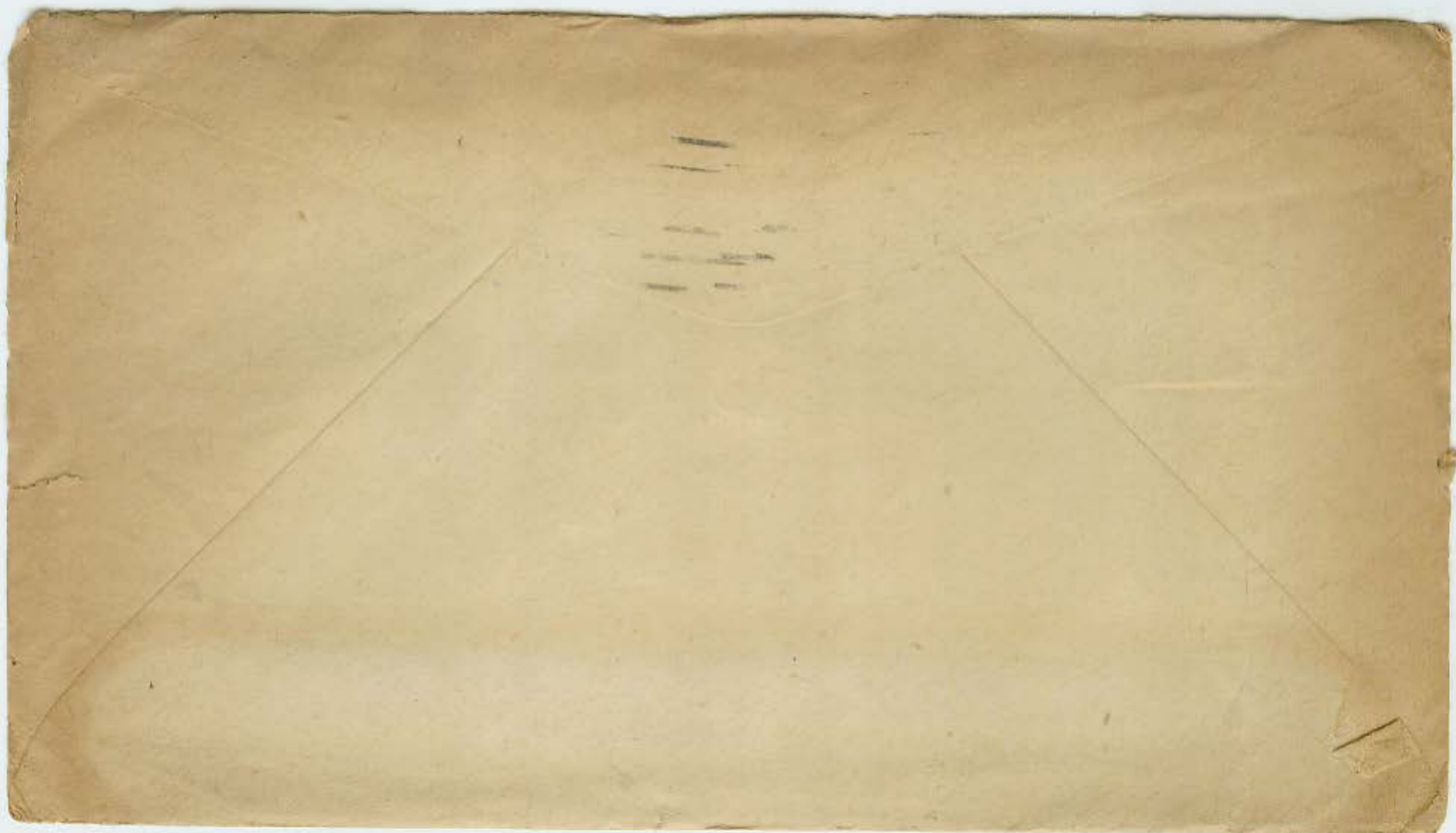
I may be sending my commission
& Discharge home soon & also a
picture of our big Barbecue, but
I may need the commission, though
I don't know what for. We were
discharged & then commissioned.
That is how it is done. I, somehow,
have a strong feeling that I
will hit Bellefonte before
October 15th, but in the army
you can never tell what's up, &
everything seems unreasonable.
Old "Buckskin" Edwards will
be in France in a month. He was
just lucky, & will sail about the
first week in Oct. He is a wonder, one
of the best I ever saw. Lots of love
to everyone at home. Your loving son,
Hugh.



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Mrs. H. C. Ingley
Belleville
Penn.





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September 19, 1918

Dear Mother:

The only reason I am writing this is to let you know my address & that I am still alive. The address is: "Lt. Hugh M. Dingley

C.M.G.O.T.S. Post Office
Building 832

Camp Hancock, Ga."

The fifty best were in the bu. were assigned to companies in the O.T.S. & will take them thru their course. The next 100 were ~~made~~ attached to Cos. in the 2nd bu. & will be through in a month. That's me, but I would give anything to be a platoon leader in a regular m.g. co. like the remaining 500 graduates are. About half of them are home on leave now and here I am

living like a rookie. I have
one squad of the 7th Co which
I instruct for eight hours a day.
I would rather be a sergeant
instructor as I was before. We
hundred attached officers all
live in 25 big tents up here
in a pine grove + report to
the companies for work each
day. Its not like being a
regular officer at all, but
the food in Officers' Mess #2
is wonderful + that helps a
lot. I will write you a letter
on Sunday + let you know
a little more that's going on.
Lots of love to all,

Your loving son,

Hugh.

P.S. Send the trousers off my wool
uniform, please. I need them
to work in.

Hugh.

P.S.² We have nothing to write by but
candles + the wind is blowing.

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MRS H C QUIGLEY

BELLEFONTE PA

RECEIVED THE TWO HUNDRED THANK YOU VERY MUCH
 HAVE BEEN ATTACHED TO 9TH CO AS INSTRUCTOR SAME OLD ADDRESS
 UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE CANNOT GET LEAVE TILL MIDDLE OF OCTOBER
 AND MAYBE NOT THEN GREAT LIFE BUT UNCERTAIN BEGIN NEW WORK
 TOMORROW

HUGH

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WESTERN UNION



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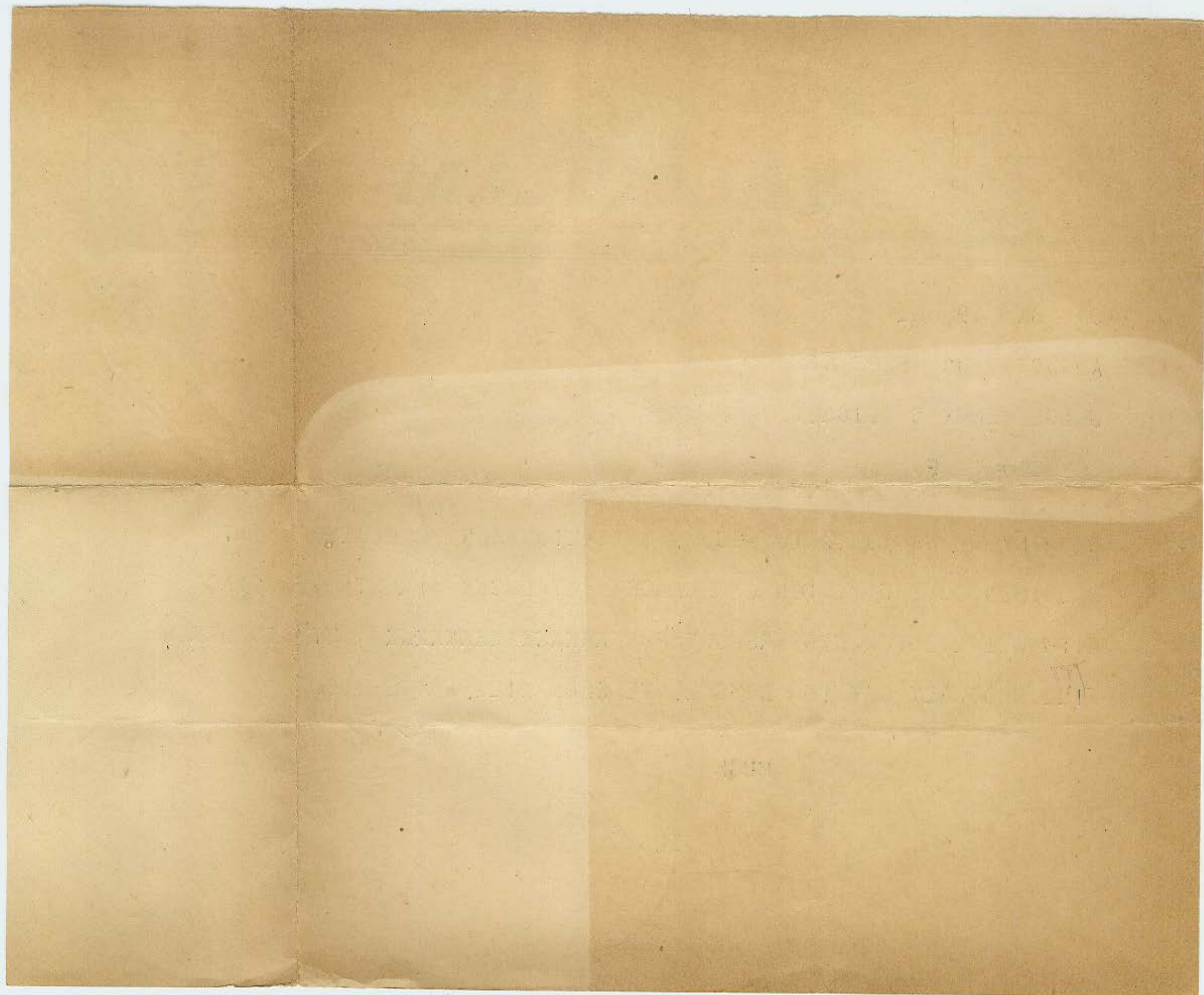
JUDGE HENRY C QUIGLEY

BELLEFONTE PA

WAS SWORN IN 2ND LIEUT TODAY STOOD 35TH IN
COMPANY AM ASSIGNED TO SECOND BATTALION FOR PROBABLY A MONTH
AND THEN SOME DIVISION OR FRANCE VERY LUCKY AUGUSTA SWARMING
WITH NEW LIEUTENANTS REPORT FOR ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ DUTY TOMORROW
WILL PROBABLY GET TEN DAYS LEAVE SOON WILL WRITE SOON

HUGH

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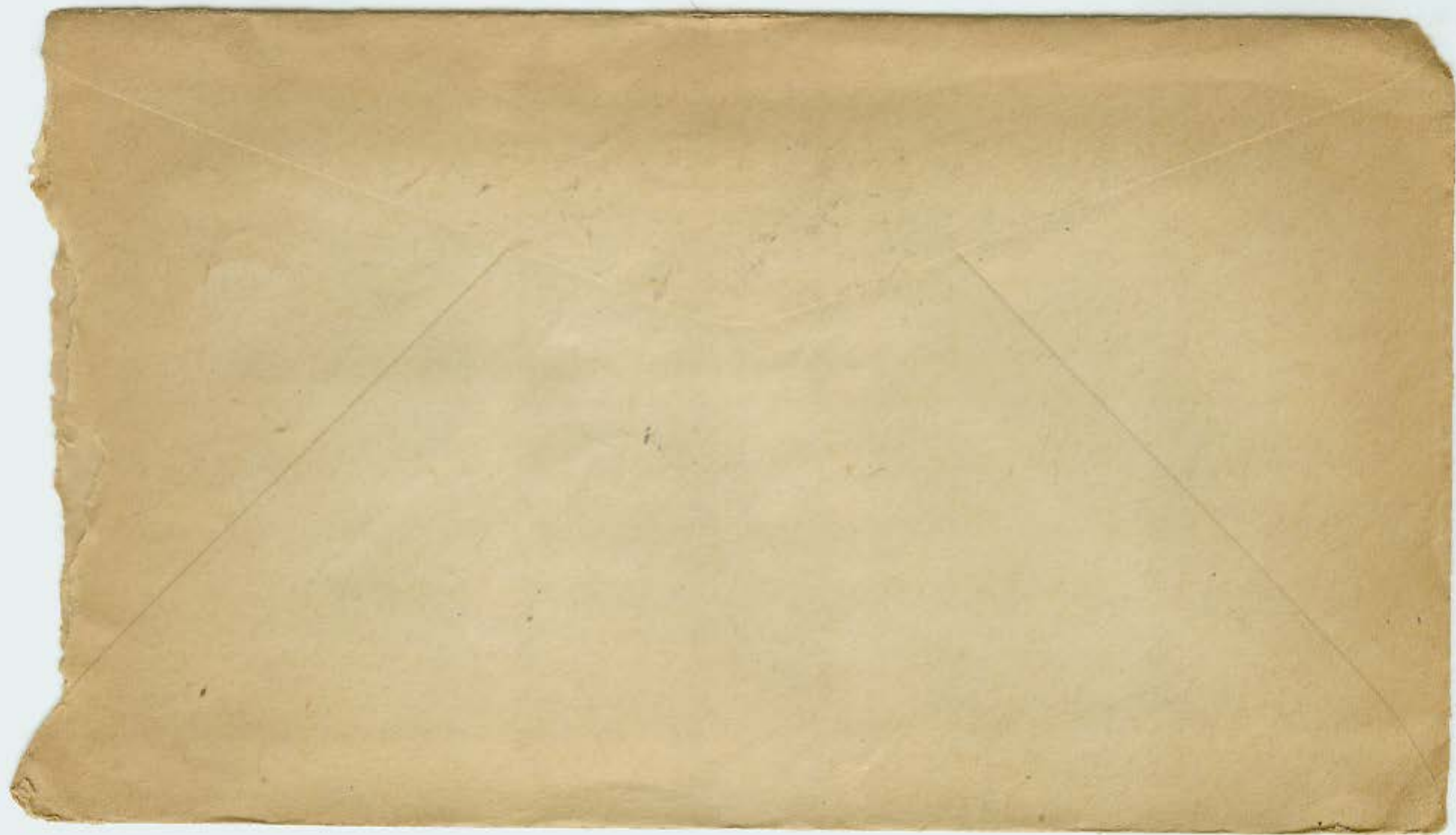




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Mrs. Henry C. Swigley
Belleville
Penn.





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September 11, 1918

Dear Mother:

Well, at last I have all my marks in the Provisional Company, including my rating. The exam marks are as follows: Law 67; I.D.R. 83; Contour 94; Interior Guard 91; Company Administration 97; and Topography 82. The Average is 86%. Passing is 75, so I am safe there. The 97 was a great surprise to me as I figured it out as 85! but I gave myself 0 on the last question which happened to meet with the officer's approval, strange as it may seem. The topography includes a military map made over a four mile course and three tests. I missed one test in account of being in charge of quarters that day but the Lieut. gives a 0 for every test missed or something like that.

To get a Commission here, one must

pass all exams with an average of 75%; pass the M.G. course; and pass the "Scott rating." I never told you about the last, did I? Well here is how it works. - Perfect is 100 and 60 is passing. There are five subjects a man is rated on, with five different marks on each subject.

	Perfect	other marks			
Physical Qualities	15	12	9	6	3
Intelligence	15	12	9	6	3
Leadership	15	12	9	6	3
Personal Qualities	15	12	9	6	3
General Value to Service	40	32	24	16	8
	100				

All the officers who have anything to do with the man rate him in each subject and the totals are averaged. In our company the high man is 76. That is not public but it is known to be true. In the provisional company I was rated at 73. Lieut. Calvin came over here the other day looking for some one & I was helping locate some men on his cards. I got me glimpse of my name & rating & that is how I know. After I had seen it he told me that I



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got by all right, but he didn't know I saw what my rating was.

I don't know what my M.G. mark is but I was picked as a supervisor on it, so it must be comparatively good. Also the "Poor Provisionals" have to be rated in their own companies and I don't know that either, but you can see that I am safe as far as all company marks are concerned.

Ken Stearns got a commission in the F.A. at Camp Taylor & is now at Camp Jackson, S.C. & is going to meet me & Tom in Augusta this Saturday.

Dorothy wants one of my pictures & I forgot to tell you before so if you can find one not in use, please send it to her. Address is 914 Jefferson St. Roanoke, Va.

It is now Thursday evening and

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I am though with a hard day's work. I taught six different classes in Gun Drill today & that is a day's work. I am no longer a supervisor, but just a plain instructor, which is a lot more interesting, although much harder. On Tuesday 15 real M.G. officers, fresh from a school, showed up & were made Supervisors. Each supervisor dropped one of his instructors & took his place. Now I teach the squads & don't have to wander around trying to correct the instructors who know as much as I did. The new officers are fine & they know the stuff. They came from the third camp & have been at advanced M.G. schools ever since. The superior of my group is a prince & I hope I can be as good a lieutenant some day.

We had a practice parade this AM in preparation for the big day on Monday. I was appointed leader of the First Platoon.

Physical exam comes tomorrow & everything in general is confused & uncertain - even more than usual.



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5.
We instructors have to work our heads off all day teaching the second battalion & also get in on all the best work we can. It is some job.

At this moment Anderson gave me the package containing pullers & underwear. Thank you very much for sending them. I have ordered a pair of pullers & shoes from N.Y. through Moffatt and if will save me just \$10.00 on these Southern prices. Moffatt ordered quite a few pairs for men in his company & let me in on it. Both together will cost \$19.00, whereas both, if bought in Augusta, would cost \$29.00. They will be dress pullers & shoes, while the pigskins will be fine for rough work.

Our company is giving a big banquet & "theatre" party tomorrow in Augusta & I am on the committee.

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Richter & I collected \$294.00 in the
company & everything is arranged.
We go to Kettis at 7.30 & have a
big dinner at the Geneva at 9.30
tomorrow night. A man named Hyde is
chairman of the committee. The price
is \$3.00 per. & we got about 99 men to
pay.

Tonight for 75 cents I subscribed
for the "Association Men", a YMCA
magazine, & had it sent to you. It
shows what the Y is doing in the war, &
it really is doing a wonderful work.
About 95% of the O.T.S. subscribed.

There is a beldam or disbrother
in the tent, & I will have to go
out of action for the present.

Lots of love to all of you,
Your loving son,
Hugh.

P.S. If Dad didn't get my request for money,
tell him I need 150.00 quick, but
it is probably on the way now, & will
show up in a day or so.

Hugh.

N.B. Don't expect a rational, coherent letter
from me until this camp is over & I am settled
somewhere.



E. C. STULB.
PROPRIETOR,
AUGUSTA, GA.



Judge Henry C. Dingley
Belleville
Penn.





E. C. STULB
PROP.

1 Augusta, Ga. Sept 4 1918

Dear Dad:-

We certainly had a hard day's work today! Three hours of instruction and the rest of the day off. It won't all be as easy as that, because we will have to do some work in the evening also, but this week up to Saturday doesn't amount to much. Then we march to the range and do some firing over Sunday and march back again with the companies.

Now comes the question of money, & it is some question. To appear as an officer requires that I have a cap, uniform, puttees, and shoes, besides a few ornaments. The cap will have to be bought & so will the uniform. Together they will cost \$65.25. The uniform I have at home is plain wool, like enlisted men



1 August 1816

Dear Madam

We certainly had a good

day's work today! The rest of
of yesterday and the rest of
the day off. It was all the same
as that, because we will
have to be up in the evening
also, but this week up to Saturday
we are not. We are to have
marched to the camp and the
firing was very good and much
more than we have had before.

However the question of money
it is more serious. It is
an officer's business that I have
a lot of, but, uniform, buttons, and shoes,
and a few ornaments. The cost
of the uniform is about 7 or 8 times the
cost of the uniform. I have not
yet seen the uniform, but I have
seen the uniform, and I have
seen the uniform, and I have



E. C. STULB
PROP.

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wear and could only be worn for rough work. It will be useful later, however. Now for puttees, I have at home my old pigskins which don't look very well for dress, being spotted & short, but they also will be very useful for work. I doubt if I have any shoes big enough to wear, except the ones I have to turn in when I am discharged, so I will need at least one pair immediately on the 17th, assuming that we are commissioned on that date. The way I figure it out is that I will need \$65.25 + \$12.00 for shoes, + \$17.00 for puttees = \$94.25 to outfit myself with the bare necessities of an officer. Of course we will have to get overseas equipment as soon as possible and that costs a lot, but I am only figuring on the necessities for graduation.



E. C. STULB
PROP.

3, Augusta, Ga. 191

We may stay in the "recommended" state for quite a while after the 17th, but then again, if the Colonel can work it, we will be commissioned on that day. What I think I will need now, after hours of intensive thought, is about \$150.00, to cover anything ~~that~~ may arise, such as getting a leave, or staying here & getting bedding rolls, & the rest of an officer's equipment for the U.S.

If you are pretty well "strapped" now, lend me the money or borrow it for me, & we can fix it up with "my Trustee" about getting it out of Liberty Bonds or something like that. The main thing is for me to get the money here to meet any surprise attack that may come off. If I was absolutely sure of a commission,

State for visit a while after the

Die 1. und 2. Klasse gab es

as I am, and no new ~~old~~ friends

on *Chloris viridula* var. *viridula*

For one hundred years and more

For me & we can fix it up with

...and then a great ...
...now that ...



E. C. STULB
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which I am not, even though the lists are at Washington now, I would buy my stuff right away, but even as it is, it would be a fairly safe bet for me to be prepared & have some things on hand.

What I don't want to do is to charge down to Augusta with 600 others on the 16th & fight to buy stuff. That suits the gold diggers in town finely, but we would get stuck & couldn't help ourselves.

Whatever happens, the fact remains that I need about \$150.00 now and that is about all I am capable of communicating to you now, as it is late & I am sleepy & all in a muddle.

I think it would be a good plan also if I had those puttees down here, in case we got a leave



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Augusta 1911

MAILED 2 5
1911

My dear Mr. Lincoln,
I was surprised to see that
you had been in my office
and that you had been
in the office of the
President of the
University of Toronto.
I am glad to hear that
you are well and that
you are still in the
office of the President.
I am glad to hear that
you are well and that
you are still in the
office of the President.

Very truly,
Your friend,
John D. Macdonald.
I am glad to hear that
you are well and that
you are still in the
office of the President.
I am glad to hear that
you are well and that
you are still in the
office of the President.



E. C. STULB
PROP.

5. Augusta, Ga. 191

right off the bat & then I could
buy some good ones in Phila, where
they are human & the prices are
probably nearer the ground. So if
you will send them I will be much
obliged, also for the money.

Lots of love to the family.

Your loving son,
Hugh.

P.S. I hate to ask for so much all
at one time, but it is a military
necessity which must be met in the
immediate future.

Hugh.

I am hoping against heavy
odds to be home soon. I surely would
love to see you all soon.

Hugh.



2. August 71

My dear Mr. [illegible] & Mrs. [illegible]

I am very glad to hear that you are all well & hope you will be much obliged, also for the money.

Yours truly to the family,

John Lubbock

Hugh.

at our time but it is a matter of necessity which must be met in the immediate future.

Hugh.

I am hoping to be able to do some work for you at once.

Hugh.



E. C. STULB,
PROPRIETOR,
AUGUSTA, GA.



Mrs. Henry C. Dingley
Bellevue
Penn.





E. C. STULB
PROP.

Augusta, Ga. Sept 3 1918

Dear Mother:-

You never can tell what will happen next in this army! Here I am still living in the 5th Co. and better off than if I had gone to the range. When I got back after an anxious week-end I found a big notice on the bulletin board which appointed 15 supervising instructors and 45 instructors out of the Provisional Company for the Second Battalion, and "Swigley, H.M." was named as a supervisor in the special subject of Gun Drill. The remaining 90 men in the Provisional Company went to the M.G. range with the 1st bu.

Each supervisor has three instructors under him & each instructor has a squad of from eight to twelve men under him, and these men come from the different companies of the 2nd bu.



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Monday, From then on is a blank. It probably isn't very clear to you & it is hard to explain, but you get the general idea. It will be pretty soft for us till Saturday, but it may mean that we have been picked on to instruct the 2nd bu throughout its whole 5 weeks course. I hope not. The instructors of the 1st bu came from the 1st bu, but those for the 2nd bu also came from the 1st bu - a sort of second choice, I believe. Out of the first two hundred that took the M.G. course - the one I took - about 100 are instructors now, & the rest are back with their companies. The only thing that



1891 August 2



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London, I am very glad to hear that you are well and hope you will be better soon. I am very sorry to hear that you are ill and hope you will be better soon.

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E. C. STULB
PROP.

2. Augusta, Ga. 191

which began its m.g. course today. There are six different subjects on their schedule & whenever I see "Gun Drill" worked in one hour. I collect my three instructors and report to the parade ground & march off the 4th, 5th, & 6th squads of whatever Co has gun drill at that period. There are 5 groups like mine in each section & each section teaches a different subject. For instance, our ^(gun drill) schedule today was 8:30 - 9:30 - 10th Co.; 10:30 - 11:30 - 26th Co.; 2-3 - 11th Co.; 3-4 - 12th Co.; and then my day's work was over. Tomorrow we only have three hours, the same Thursday. On Saturday all of us instructors march out to the range & join the bu. for 2 days & get in our firing, etc. & then march back



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August 25

E. C. RYAN
1908

which began to w. p. course today
there are six different subjects
of revenues & subsidies in the
and in the bill "worked in the law"
I collect up the materials and
report to the parents group &
work off the w. p. & the
of whatever to the bill of
that period. There are 2 groups
like mine in each section & each
section teaches a different subject.
For instance, one section today
was 8.30-9.30 - 10th Co.; 10.30-11.00 - 10th Co.
2-3-11th Co.; 3-4-10th Co.; and then
my group was over. Tomorrow
we only have three more, the same
Thursday. On Saturday all of us
instructors went out to the range
& join the boys for a day & get in our
fishing, etc. & then march back



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I like about it is that we are through with the Provisional Co. and are pretty sure of commissions, but no one knows when. They couldn't give them to us in the middle of our course instructing the 2nd. Br., so maybe we will leave here on the 17th. It wouldn't be right to commission the rest of the 1st Br. & leave us here instructing, & I don't believe the old Colonel would do it.

By the way, I got 91 in Interior Guard instead of 86 as I figured & that helps some, as the marks ran low - below 90 on the average.

It seems awfully queer to have



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all evening off, but something will probably be found for us to do.

I don't know what I will want along the line of puttees, etc., yet, and I am banking on the Colonel telling us far enough in advance to give us time to round up some stuff. We have a personal inspection on the 17th & the Colonel will then see that everyone is wearing the right clothes. He said, "I'm not going to turn out any sloppy-looking lieutenants & you will all be a credit to me or you don't get commissions."

Lots of love to Dad, Bessie,
& Mary.

Your loving son,
Hugh.



E. O. RILEY
MAIL

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all remaining off, but something will
probably be found for us to do.
I think I know what kind of
key, etc., and the line of business
and I am depending on the Colonel
telling us for sure in a short
time as to what to do next.

on the 1st of the month will then be
that everyone is working the right
channel. We are not going to
turn out any more of the
kind of work that you will see as a
credit to us or for that of
"Commissioners."

lots of love to that family

Yours lovingly,
H. H. H.



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P.S. I was just talking to the Candidate Co. Clerk & he knows a lot of inside stuff from the Orderly room. He told me that he had seen the list of men from this Co. recommended to be eliminated by Lieut. Jones, and there were eight names on it. Most of them were known to be low, but there were two that are dary bright men & seem to have all the stuff. That makes ten men who have been dropped entirely & there will probably be many turned back to take the course over. The point of this P.S. is that Safford is one of the eight. I had expected it all along, but its too bad for his family. He is absolutely lacking in self confidence & imagines that he cannot do anything. He ought to be ashamed of himself because he is as old as three of our lieuts & only 3 years younger than Lieut. Thompson. Jones is 24, so is Gillespie. Downing is 22. Lieut. Downing used to



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room with John Radley at Newman School.

Well to get back on the subject, Saff will probably be sent to one of the M. G. training Cos in the near future & that life is anything but pleasant, especially down here, where all the wops from N.Y. are herded together in Companies.

Lots of love again,

Hugh.



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NEW YORK

Dear Mr. [illegible]

Enclosed

find a copy of the subject
which will probably be sent to you
of the W. J. Training Co. in the
future & that life is something
not pleasant, especially when
you are alone.

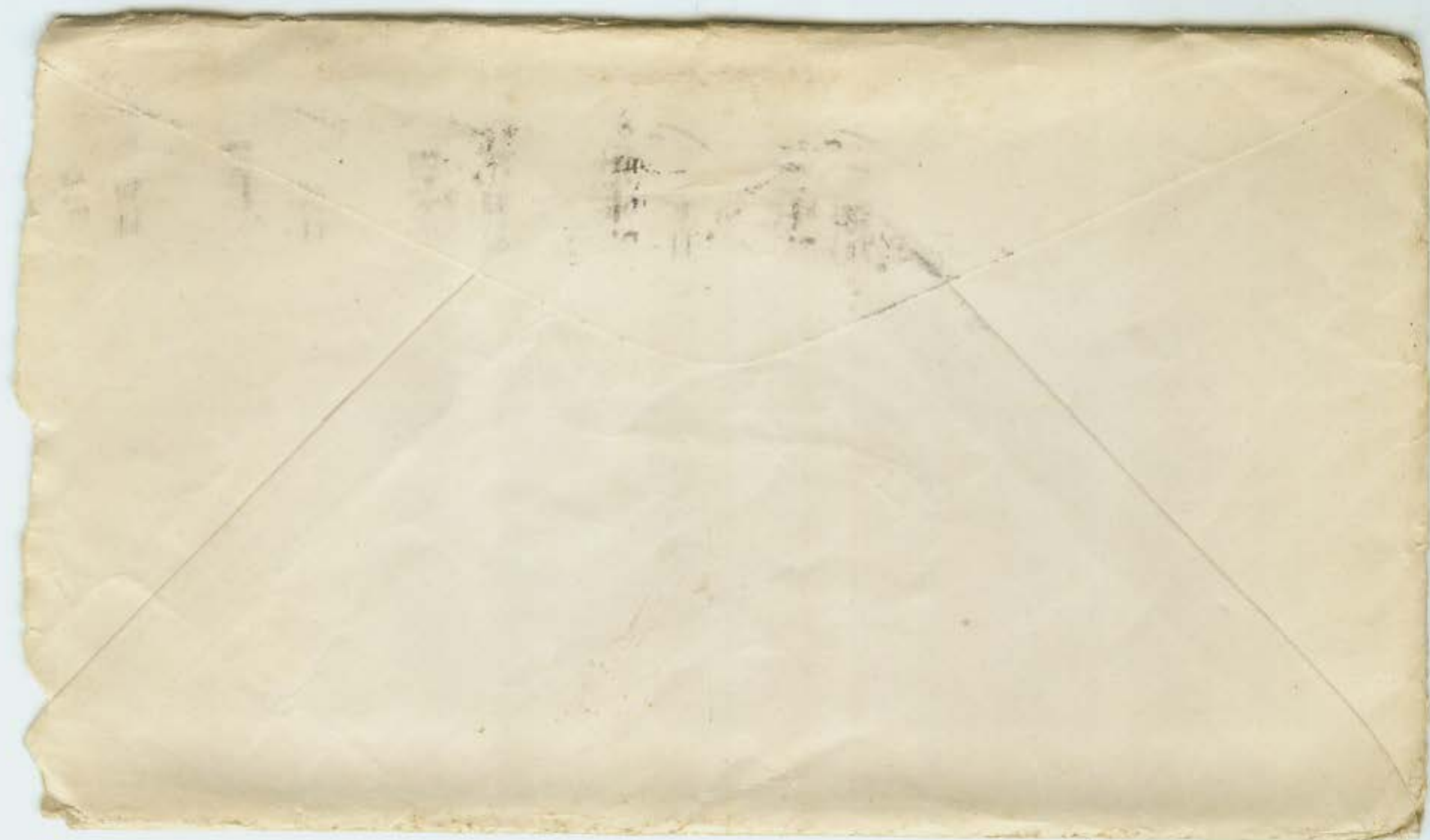
Very truly yours,

[illegible]

[illegible]



Judge Henry C. Singley
Belleville
Penn.





THE ALBION

S. J. NEWCOMB
LESSEE

AUGUSTA, GA. Sept. 1, 1918

Dear Dad:-

We had our last written exam yesterday, maybe. It was the last scheduled one, at any rate, and I won't be angry if we have no more. It was on Company Administration and a pretty hard exam, like all the rest. We have only heard the results of three of the five exams so far and here are my marks:-

Military Law	69	(To pass, average must be 75%)
Inf. Drill Regulations	83	
Military Courtesy	94	
Interior Guard	(86, estimated)	
Co. Administration	(85, estimated)	

The I.D.R. was the longest and hardest and also the most important. I would have bet my last cent that I got over 95 in that exam, but these inexperienced officers count a whole question wrong if one word is

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1891, 1st Sept. 1st

Dear Sir:-

We had our last written exam

on the 24th inst. It was the last
of the series, and I
think it only if we were to have
it was a comparison of the
old and new, and a pretty hard exam,
the next. We have only read the
notes of the first exam
and here are my marks:

History 88 (100 marks)
Geography 88 (100 marks)

Latin 88 (100 marks)
Greek 88 (100 marks)

The I.D.R. was the largest and
most interesting and also the most
important. I would have been very
glad to see you in that exam, but
I was unable to attend. I am
a great admirer of your work and



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not the exact one they were thinking about, I was sure, and still do maintain, that that I.P.R. was the best & most carefully written exam I ever wrote, but the little lieutenant from the 3rd School thought otherwise, or else just had it in for me.

I never told you about the officers of the provisional company, did I? except Major Montague, who is a prince. Lieut. Sheehy is the immediate Company Commander & I never saw a better officer as far as discipline & knowledge of the subject are concerned, but he is not my ideal of a good officer when it comes to having a heart. He has none at all. But he doesn't swear very much & his knowledge offsets all failings in other lines. He just rose from the ranks a month or so ago, and before that he was in the Philippines, Cuba, Mexico, Hawaii and

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week will probably be cleared up
with it then it's a blank after that
I should like to have a good run down
+ see the place + see how it will be
settled here later on, but I hope
not. I am in debt to you now, but
these ~~improvements~~ ~~improvements~~ ~~improvements~~ ~~improvements~~
are for the honor of the school. I am sure

I can get along. We will be paid
this week, I hope, for the work
done over a while as a candidate.
All I can do is to hope
but the strain is terrible
from the fact that I saw Ellis for three minutes
on Thursday. He was out
head of the school just as I was
going to the school. I told you of

lots of love to all the
family + and we are
Your loving son,
Hugh.



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and has the Kahn Tailoring Company located right near our camp with permission to measure all candidates. Last Monday the whole Provisional Company was marched through the shops and confronted with the problem of choosing cloth etc. or no notice at all. I chose the most economical + best uniform in the place - a domestic whip-cord for \$3.25 + an extra pair of trousers for \$17.00 - and was measured for it. We don't have to take them if life are not recommended and they will be ready if we are. The Company only makes \$1.00 on a uniform + they are all inspected + made according to regulations, so it is a splendid plan, and I hope I have a chance to wear mine soon, but it is awfully doubtful.

We are staying in a really home-like place this week, and not at a hotel. I have no more paper so I will go right back on these sheets

There is a man named Parker in our company who is a friend of Adams + Kyle, + his wife is staying at a nice boarding house on Green Street. Last week Kyle + Adams had dinner with the Parkers and also arranged with Mrs. Wilkins to get a room this week. Mrs. Wilkins rented a house across the street and gave us a wonderful big front room upstairs with two beds + seven windows and a fine porch opening out from it. It is the most comfortable place we have struck yet and only costs us \$1.00 per. Brown is with us, also.

Last night Ted + I took Elizabeth Allen and Adele Evans to both vaudeville shows + also to a big fire in a warehouse, but outside of that there wasn't much excitement. That old saying "They are all right in their way but" etc applies to them beautifully.

Today we had dinner with the Parkers at Mrs. Wilkins regular house and we met another young married pair named Johnson. She is from Chattanooga + he is from New York + in the 3rd battalion of the



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must like Colvin, who commands
the 1st platoon, having the responsibility
of deciding upon whether the whole
platoon gets commissions or not, ~~and~~
of course Sherry has the final word in
the provisional Company but Colvin
has a lot to say, & he doesn't have
much use for college men either. I
am all at sea as to how I stand,
because they have never called
me before the benzine board or called
me down at drill, and that may mean
that they think I need more experience,
or that I get by all right. We will
know soon however, as all marks
are in by now. It is some strain,
believe me, and it will be a great
relief when we get an idea how
its coming out. The officers may be
only trying to scare us, and if so,
they certainly have succeeded.
Colonel Westmoreland has been
doing every thing to get us uniforms

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C.M.G.O.T.S. We fiddled around after
dinner, played the piano & danced
a bit & now we are back in our
apartment keeping cool. Mrs. &
Phurn is a peach & certainly can
dance.

The Southern Railroad runs
beside this house on Eighth Street
and trains were going through
all night. It was like riding in an
upper berth. A long troop train
went by about six o'clock & you
should have heard the soldiers
yelling they were going NORTH
and anyone down here nearly goes
crazy at the thought of going
in that direction. The other night
at Keith's an old ex-soldier
was on the stage & brought down
the house for fair. The audience
was about three fourths soldiers
as usual and this fellow made
his entry by coming from the
back of the house down the aisle.
He said he had just left an old
friend of his on the street & the
friend had said "Come on, Bill, let's
go to the nearest bar & I will buy
the Revs. I've got to celebrate somehow."



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The next one is a little runt named Colvin, from the third camp, and he also saw a hitch or two in the army before getting his bar. He tries to be as tough as "the degenerate" but can't quite make it. The first day he caught someone in the company chewing tobacco & he had a chew in his own mouth. He said: "Spit out that chew, They ain't going to be no chewing in my platoon except by me & I like it & no one's going to stop me, but just let me catch one of you chewing & its all up for you."

The only gentleman among the lieuts is one they call "Agnes" - a young, awfully nice looking man, who uses good language & you could tell he has been educated, but he is not very brilliant in military work.

That is some corps of instructors, isn't it? Sheehy is really a wonder but the other three are rotten. What gets my goat is a little

Bill wanted to know the cause for
the joy and the friend said, "This
is the happiest day of my life, I just
got my passports & am leaving
for the United States in the morning."
Well, you should have heard those
soldiers yell, They clapped, yelled, &
stamped till they were exhausted.
I don't know what the Augustans
think of such demonstrations. I suppose
they can't help living here, but as
long as I had legs to walk on I
would keep marching from this
country toward anywhere.

We will be here till retreat
tomorrow, as Labor Day is a
holiday, & will have two good
nights' sleep anyway. We will
need them too, as we go out to
the wilderness Tuesday morning.

The 1st Bn. is going out 12 miles
to the M.G. range & stay a week or
more, & we have to carry everything
we will need on our backs. The
range is only partially completed
so we will be pretty busy leveling
hills & cutting trees & the like.



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in the U. S., for 17 years altogether. There never is any argument about who is right in conferences or drill, for he just quotes, verbatim, all the material affecting the subject under discussion, no matter what it is. He is entirely a self made man, because from his face you can tell that he ~~never~~ was a rough neck & he admits that he never had any education, & for that reason he hasn't much use for a college man, especially a young one.

The next in command, I don't know his name, is the worst specimen of humanity I ever saw - hollow eyes, flat chest, thin, emaciated, ~~with~~ - and he looks either like a consumptive, or an escaped convict or an habitual drunkard. A combination of the three suits him better, & talk about cure, he has anything stopped I ever heard for man, dirty cursing. He served his time in the Regulars too & Lord knows how he ever got a commission.

Some men will have to stay in camp & there is a lot of conjecturing as to who those men will be. Some say that all unsuccessful men are staying behind to watch the stuff & do police & fatigue around the company street but no one knows yet. If you don't hear from me till next week you will know that I am out there in the "front lines". I will write soon if I am still at Camp Hancock. Out there we will sleep on the ground in whatever we want to carry with us, and do a lot of practical night firing & actual war work.

Tell Mother that the shirts are fine but they stain undershirts O.D. in five minutes. All cotton shirts do anyway, but they are wonderfully cool to wear, & I am very glad she sent them.

Don't figure on coming down here right away, because no one knows ~~what~~ how long we will be here. This week we spend in the field & next



E. C. STULB,
PROPRIETOR,
AUGUSTA, GA.



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Mrs. Henry C. Quigley
Bellevue
Penn.





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PROP.

Augusta, Ga. Aug 25 1918

Dear Mother:

I opened Mary's letter just to send a few words to you and to answer one question which seems to be bothering you a lot. The government issues certain things to all enlisted men & when a man ceases to be an enlisted man, either from being commissioned or from being discharged he must turn back every article issued to him or pay for them. If you ever saw my issued underwear you would mistake it for burlap sacking, except for one suit. I haven't worn any of it yet & hope I shall never have to.



August 18th 1871

Dear Mother,
I hope you are well.
I am at home at
first to send a few words to
you and to answer the questions
which seem to be bothering
you a lot. The Government
certainly is not quite
what it was a few years
ago, but it is not
quite so bad as it
was some time ago.

I am very glad to hear
that you are well and
hope you are happy.
I am at home at
first to send a few words to
you and to answer the questions
which seem to be bothering
you a lot. The Government
certainly is not quite
what it was a few years
ago, but it is not
quite so bad as it
was some time ago.



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The things I have now which belong to the government & have to be turned in at the end of my status as an E.M. are:

Rifle 1
Cartridge belt 1
shoes, 2 pr.
socks, 5 pr.
trousers, 4
shirts, 2
leggings, 1
flouses, 2
hats, 1
belt, 1
blue denim suit 1
underwear suits 3
mess kit 1
slicker, 1

Everything else I have is my own, including two O.D. shirts, 1 pr trousers, & 1 blouse, & 1 pr leggings. Of course I will take the best articles of the lot & turn the rest in. That is fair enough. You can do anything you wish with the B.V.D.s, etc just so I have enough to wear, & I am



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U. S. DEPT. OF THE INTERIOR
BUREAU OF LANDS

The things above are which

and the things below are which

Due to the fact that the land is to be turned over to the U.S. one of my objects is to see that the land is properly

Every thing else

There is no more

including two

of the land

transferred to the U.S.

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E. C. STULB
PROP.

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amfully glad I have some one who is interested in keeping my stuff in good shape.

Did I tell you that the colored women aren't allowed in the camp anymore? There is a camp laundry but it is out of the question. It is awfully nice of you & Maggie to take charge of my laundry the way you do.

One hundred men are going to get the can this week & the weeding out will continue right up to the seventeenth, so you can imagine the strain we are working under. Two men were transferred from



Augusta, Ga. 1891

My dear Mr. [illegible]

I have just received your letter of the 28th inst. and am glad to hear that you are well. I am well and hope this letter finds you the same. I am sorry to hear that you are not well. I hope you will soon be able to get out of the hospital. I am sure you will be able to do so. I am sure you will be able to do so. I am sure you will be able to do so.

Very truly yours,
[illegible signature]



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PROP.

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4,

our company last week to
the M.G.T.C. up the line.

after all I believe I will
send this as a separate
letter, as it is becoming
more sizeable all the while.

Colonel Westmoreland,
who is one of those benevolent,
sloppy, beloved, strict and
efficient officers who rose
from the ranks of the 11th Cavalry
in 1901 & has been with that
regiment ever since until
detailed to this school, gave
the pt a talk on Friday
about buying uniforms.
He cursed out every store in



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our company last week to

the M. T. C. up to the time

and this as a reference

letter, as it is becoming

more important all the while.

Colonel Westmoreland

was one of those persons

who, I believe, are

different from the

from the ranks of the 1st Cavalry

in 1901 & has been with that

regiment ever since with

detached to this service

the 1st for a talk on

about buying uniforms

He carried out every



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Augusta as being a gang of robbers & loaches & advised us strongly to get our uniforms from the Kahn Tailoring Co. which has an officially authorized branch on Pennsylvania Avenue & all of whose goods & patterns have the stamp of approval of Colonel Edwards, the camp commandant. They charge cost price + \$1.00 profit & are bound to the C.O. by contract to turn out good looking officers. One of the remarks the Colonel made is characteristic of him. He was trying a sample



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August 2 as being a group of
in attempt to get our uniforms
from the Colon following a
which has an official
authorised board on
Remuneration Bureau & all
of which goods & patterns
have the stamp of official
of the Colon, the camp
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He was trying to sample



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flouses & coats & talking to us
all the time. He said "Why, just
the other day Mrs. Westmoreland
said to me, she says 'John, that's
the nly decent suit you ever
had on' and the missus has
seen me in a good many
uniforms, and that one was
made by these gentlemen here"
pointing to the Kahn representatives.
He is one of those coarse, kind
hearted old men who has
three or four little bare footed
rats, dirty & fresh, running
around the camp all the time.
You see him hurrying up
Broad street peering over his
spectacles, his blouse all wrinkled



August 15, 1891

W. C. STUBBS
LONDON

Dear Sir,
I have the pleasure to inform you that

the other day Mr. W. C. Stubbins
sent to me, for my collection, the
very recent and very
good one, and the museum has
been in a good way
uniform, and that we was
made by the gentleman
pointing to the same reference.

It is one of the most
beautiful old men who has
been in the last few
years, and the
great, and the
around the camp all the
for me in
Good at the
reference, his



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in the back, not noticing anyone, with the "Mrs." trailing behind dragging & driving the three dirty little rats. Nevertheless everyone likes the old Colonel even though he ~~usually~~ is so unmilitary and common. One of the tailors referred to him as "your beloved Colonel" & he immediately said "how do you know I am beloved?" & of course everybody clapped & shouted. He has a knack of being very familiar & bowely before a crowd but when on duty he is like a gruff old badger. I don't respect him



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in the back of waiting
"all the way"

waiting behind baggage
during the three short little
rests, however, everyone
likes the old Colonel even
though he usually is so
unfriendly and common. For
of the tailors referred to him
as "your old Colonel" & so

unusually kind "your bagger"
him I am "baggery" & of
course everybody laughs
about it. He has a truck of
being very familiar & usually
before a crowd but when on
duty he is like a gruff old
bagger. I don't respect him



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very much as a gentleman,
but as an officer, * especially
of rough men like he probably
had in the 11th Cavalry, * he
gets away with murder. He
sort of reminds me of Uncle
Hiram somehow, in the way
he talks and acts.

It is fun to contrast him
with Major Montague, who is
one of these perfect gentlemen.
He has a weak and gentle
voice and a very smooth
manner, but he is a wonder
too. It is funny that two
men so entirely different
should make good officers,
but it is their personality.
Major Montague is the man



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E. C. STURGE
NEW

very much as a gentleman,
of course when the opportunity
led in the 11th Cavalry, he
gets on very well with the
rest of the regiment, and
keeps a very good record in the way
of taking care of the
troop and its
equipment.

It is quite certain that
with Major Sturge, who is
a very good officer, and
a very good man.

He has a weak and gentle
voice and a very sweet
manner, but he is a very
outgoing man, and it is
very difficult to see
any of his good points
but it is very good to see
Major Sturge in the way



E. C. STULB
PROP.

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who was adjutant when we arrived, & who spent an hour or so one evening helping me get cots for our company. He still remembers me. The other day when I was right guide of the Provisional company he was hanging around my end of the company talking to a Lieut. He noticed me & remarked, "Ah, I see you have Captain Drigley at right guide now. You ought to have seen him attending officers meetings at the beginning of the school," and more stuff along the same line. I don't know what he thinks of me but I would give a lot to know. He is temporary



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When was admitted when we
had no doubt on our

particular interest in the
the fact that for our company
the other members the
other day when I was right
quintessence of the University
he was leaving around
my end of the company talking
to a friend. The matter was
"All I can do is to

Captain Wright at right
now. For ought to have been
the beginning of the school, and
more stuff about the same
line. I don't know what he
thinks of us but I would give
a lot to know. He is temporary



E. C. STULB
PROP.

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senior instructor of the
Provisional company and
will probably pass upon
the recommendations.

Well, I must stop before my
hand becomes paralyzed.

Lots of love to the family,
your loving son,
Hugh.



Mrs. H. C. Quigley
Bellevue
Penn.





THE ALBION

S. J. NEWCOMB
LESSEE

AUGUSTA, GA. Aug 18 1918

Dear Mother:-

Again I am staying at the Albion, and it is a pretty good hotel. This time Adams & I came down early yesterday and engaged a double room for \$3.00. Then Kyle & Brown came in and shared it, so it only cost each of us 75¢. It is a fine room with two big brass beds, running water, and an electric fan which has been working at top speed for twenty four hours without a rest. Saff has been with us most of the time. Last night we all went to a show and then had a wonderful sleep. I had made an engagement with Elizabeth Allen to go to church this morning so when Saff came

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Dear Mother:

I am staying at the
Hotel, and it is a pretty good
place. This time I have + I came
down early yesterday and
engaged a double room for \$1.00
then left + I came in and
found it so it was all right
of us \$2. It is a fine room with
two big beds, running water and
an electric fan which has been
working at top speed for twenty
four hours without a rest. I have
been with no work of the time.
I am right in the heart of a
and then had a wonderful sleep.
I had made an engagement with
Elizabeth Allen to go to church
this morning so when I came



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to town this morning I took him with ~~me~~ and we found some other soldier guests at the Allen's house. It was so hot that we decided to take a ride instead, so the old Lizzie was drafted into service, and the rest of the soldiers didn't want to go when they saw me trying to get the car out of the barn. Saff., Elizabeth, & I drove around a while and got two more very nice girls and started for the open country. First we went to the Arsenal and I found Officer of the Day Keller and he came out & talked to us a few minutes. He risked his life the other night & if the guard hadn't been so green he would be wearing his wooden overcoat by now. He tested them about two AM by chasing the

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to turn this morning I took him
with me and we found some other
soldier quarters at the Wilson house.

It was so hot that we decided to
take a walk instead, as the old

lodge was drafted into service,
and the rest of the soldiers didn't

want to go when they saw we
were trying to get the car out of the barn.

Left, 3:30 P.M. + I drove around
a while and got two more very nice

girls and started for the open
country. That was what we went to the

General and I found Officer of the
law killed and he came out +

told us a few minutes. He
naked his life the other night + I

the guard didn't see a green
man in morning in morning

overlooked by him. He tested them
about two A.M. by clearing the



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sentry and the rest of the guard back to their tents firing his gun and threatening to blow up the arsenal. One sergeant, whom he had tipped off before, pretended to be shot & then Oro let them know who he was & bawled the life out of them for letting him get away with it. We then took a nice drive out over some hills & some fairly pretty country and back to Augusta. Elizabeth invited me to dinner next Sunday & I invited her to go to Kieths on Saturday, so next week-end is all "dotted up"

It is becoming very hard for me to write letters because we are having exams at the rate of about two a week (there are three this week) and there are no



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Lights after nine at night any more. Electricity is getting scarce around here and the lights go out before our 7 to 9 AM. class is over. At noon we have from 12 to one & sometimes 1.30 but it is too hard to write in the heat when you are tired and after supper we have an hour but we have to study then so you can easily understand why I can't write oftener than once a week. Tell Mary & Henrietta that I will write to them as soon as possible & to try to bear it till I find the time. Tomorrow night we have an exam in F.D.R. & two more in M.I.G. & Country during the week.

When you send that laundry back you might include a white shirt besides the one I sent as we

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have to wear blouses to town now.
Send ~~anyone~~ shirt at all because
the sleeves are too long for a uniform
at least the ones you sent were. And if
you can, I would love to have two
cotton O.D. army shirts size 15½
neck & 35 sleeve. I haven't the money
to buy them here & anyway they
charge too much for them. If it
is too much trouble don't bother,
but let me know what you decide.
They could be gotten in Phila.
I suppose.

More hard luck! The strap
rotted off my ~~new~~ wrist watch &
I haven't worn it for a week until
yesterday when I bought a web
strap. Then today I banged it on
the Allen's ford & broke the
hour & second hand off of it. It
still runs & I can probably get it
fixed here next Saturday, but I



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have to wear glasses to see now
and I think I am getting
the glasses one too big for a uniform
at least I am sure I am not
you can, I would love to have two
either A.D. or my little size 12
and I am sure I am not the wrong
to put them here & anywhere they
change to much for them if it
is too much trouble but I am
not let me know what you think
they could be gotten in Philadelphia.

Philadelphia, Pa.
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to put them here & anywhere they
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getting tired of breaking watches. When it is fixed I am going to get a few guards etc. to protect it.

I saw a notice in the paper that all men becoming 21 after June 5, 1918 would have to register before their draft board on Aug 24 and that includes me. All that is necessary is to notify the board that I enlisted on May 16, & can't get away.

I will have to stop now & break camp & leave for that awful camp up the line. There are reliable rumors that our camp ends Aug 26 and already the third lot of companies have arrived. 600 a month graduate from this place & there are now three big battalions waiting for

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us to finish so they can take
the m.g. course. Everyone in the
room is packing up so I will
have to stop and go with them.
Lots of love & patience to the
family.

Your loving son,
Hugh.

THE VIRGIN



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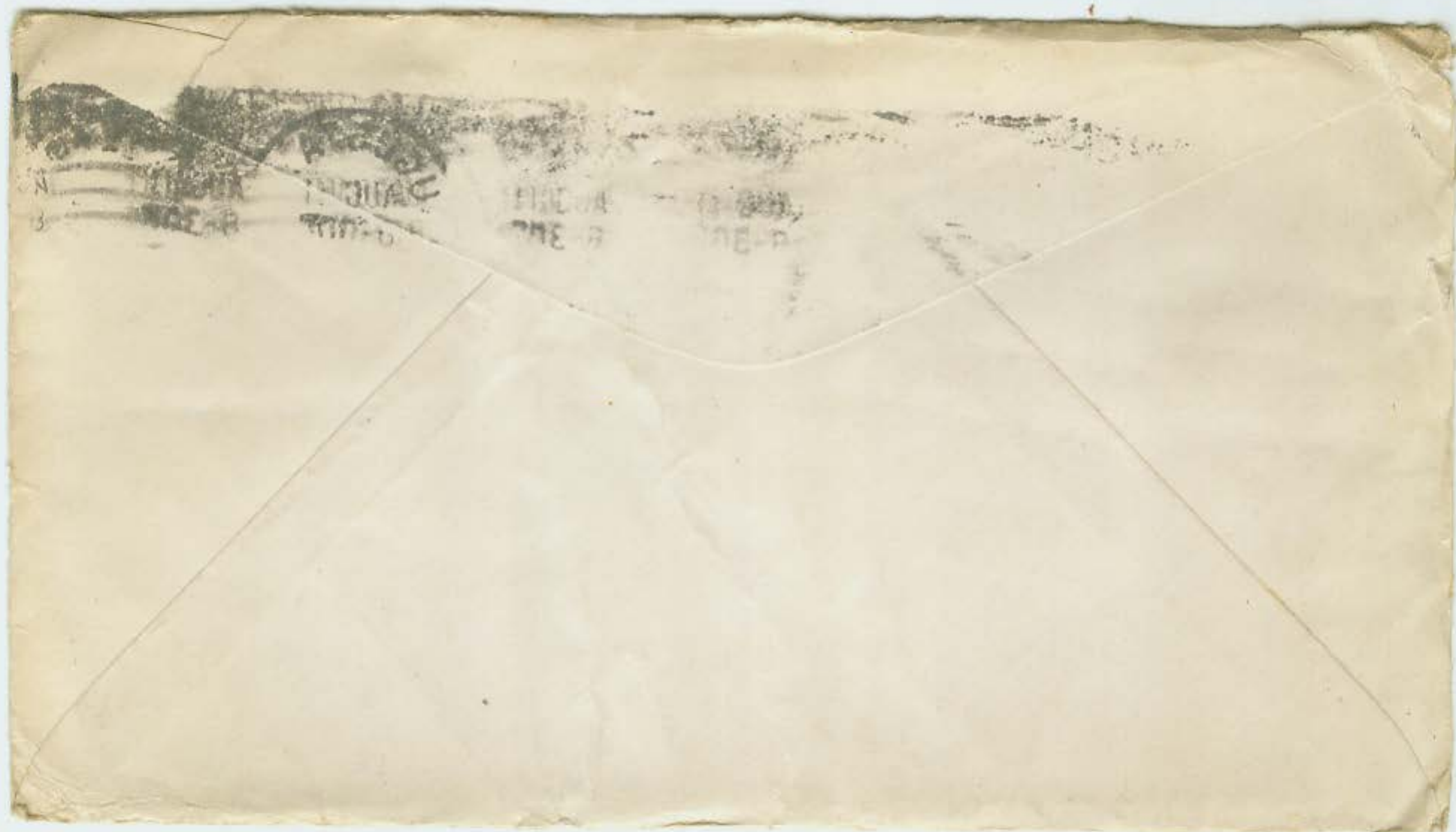
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family,
your loving son,
Hugh



Judge H. A. Singler
Belleville
Penn.





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S. J. NEWGOMB
LESSEE

AUGUSTA, GA. August 11 1918

Dear Dad:-

That present of yours made my birthday a complete howling success and the four wonderful letters I got from the family did their share, also.

This is quite a hotel, at least its very pretentious. Saff & I came down yesterday but couldn't get a room. There were four men from our company staying here & they had an extra bed and asked me to stay with them. Saff didn't want to stay over night when we came down but only did it at my urging, so he was glad to go back last night after the show. These are four of the nicest men in the company: Ted Kyle, Frank Adams

Harry Miller and Bailey Brown, and the funny part of it all is that all of them, ^{but Adams} were college men once. They all have been out of college quite a while. Miller went to Michigan, Brown to Vermont, and Kyle to Trinity. They are all about twenty five or a little older.

We saw two Vandeville shows and the one at the Wells Theatre was pretty good. They had one big act called the "Hollies de Vogue" which was pretty fair. There were two leading ladies and a chorus of eight. They sang some awfully good songs, such as, "I want to be a good little wife" and one of them was a fine dancer.

After seeing the other Vandeville we went to the "Subway Lunch" and had a little theatre supper. The army has gone to the dogs down here, for soon a lieutenant came in with one of



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the chorus and a little later the two leading ladies came in on the arms of two majors! They were darn good looking girls, and I don't blame the majors, but nothing like that would ever happen around Camp Stevens.

We had a beautiful ten hour sleep and I surely needed it, because eating all that food before going to bed several days last week doesn't promote restful slumber! I even walked in my sleep one night & woke every one in the tent up, that is I got up out of bed while I was asleep & woke up right away.

Another Williams man was killed last week. Lieut Fred Pollard who was in Lump Wood's class,

was also killed in action.

The war is getting harder every day, and I hope I get a chance to get in that big drive. The Allies seem to be on the offensive at last and that means everything, but I hope I get across before the big final crash comes.

I was orderly on Thursday and K.P. yesterday morning. Single handed I washed every bit of "silverware" and dishes belonging to the company. It took $3\frac{1}{2}$ hours and included 150 plates, 150 dishes, 150 cups, 150 bowls, 420 knives, forks & spoons and numerous pitchers, big bowls etc. Some body else dried them but I did all the washing.

Give my love to all the family.

Your loving son,

Hugh.



Sunday, Aug. 11, 1918

Dear Mother:

This is one of the
M.G. companies in
the Fourth of July
parade. They are
all armed with
pistols and are a
pretty good looking
bunch of men. Broad
Street is as wide as
three ordinary streets.
Yours loving Son, Hugh.



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Mrs. H.C. Inigley
Belleville
Penn.



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Mrs. Henry C. Inigley
Bellevue
Penn.





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August 7, 1918

Dear Mother:

Did you see Lump Wood's name in the casualty list yesterday? Don't it awful! It makes me want to go & get 'em. "Killed in action" has been Lump's ambition ever since war was declared. He said that was the only way he wanted to die & his wish has been gratified, but it is awful to lose such a wonderful man as that. When they begin picking off my best friends like that I begin to realize what war is, and I am many times more glad that I am in it or about to be in it than I ever was before. I would love to put in me good boy's work with a machine gun platoon and I hope I get the chance before the war ends. That was a frightfully big casualty

list and there are more bigger ones than that coming, I suppose.

This course will be over definitely Sept 15 and we will get commissions whenever the govt needs m.g. officers. "It may be tomorrow or not for 8 weeks" said one of our new lieuts today.

Starting today we have a big field day every Wed. afternoon. I played left field in a practice game today & got me hit. There was a cross country race which the 5th Co team ~~won~~ hands down and also some boxing bouts.

I got a chance to lead the physical exercise this morning & was right guide also. I got away with the jobs pretty well, I think.

I got all the fine birthday letters today & will answer them eventually but now I must go to a lecture on Military Law.

Lots of thanks & love to all the family. I have had a fine birthday & feel older already. Your loving son, Hugh.

The complete list is as follows:

KILLED IN ACTION.

Lieut-Col. J. M. Craig, San Francisco.

Captain:

H. H. Wirthington, Lancaster, Pa.

Lieutenants:

David J. Ewing, New Orleans.

Howard C. McCall, Philadelphia.

E. A. Billings, Portland, Me.

J. M. Duncan, Terre Haute, Ind.

P. V. Gilson, Carthage, N. Y.

G. G. Hall, Haverhill, Mass.

David M. Barry, Santabarra, Cal.

Charles S. Evans, Marblehead, Mass.

Donald F. Ghent, Ann Arbor, Mich.

Robert M. Lovett, Chicago.

G. W. Ryley, Lawrence, Mass.

L. A. Wood, Portland, Ore.

Sergeants:

Paul L. Hon, Deland, Fla.

Charles O. McKay, Jonesboro, Ark.

Mountainburg

... 1934, died at the base
pital, Camp Hancock, Sunday. The
ly has been removed to the Elliott
neral Home on upper Telfair Street.
Mr. Elliott has not yet learned what
disposition to make of the body, and
waits a reply to inquiries from relatives.
Ordinary illness was the cause of Pri-
vate Rohn's death.

AMERICAN TROOPS IN ARCHANGEL LAND IN COMPANY WITH ALLIES

Kandalaska, Russia, Sunday, Aug. 4—
American troops participated in the
landing of the allied forces at Arch-
angel last week. The first detachment
of the international forces included
members of the Russian



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Belleville
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August 6, 1915

Dear Family:-

I thank you one and all for the enormous supply of provisions that arrived last night. When I saw those two big boxes I thought that I was getting a couple of overcoats or fords or something of the sort. Never were two boxes equal to those received in this company before and I just about own the squad now, because everyone is broke and can't buy things at the canteen, and they are always hungry. I am no exception to that either, so you couldn't have chosen a better time wonderful conglomeration of eatables. I think there were about ten in the tent last night from nine to ten and we had some

banquet. However we only made a slight impression on the boxes and there is lots left, so that my birthday will be entirely surrounded by banquets.

Monday morning when the new m.g. course began under the British officers, eight more men were dropped from the list of instructors taken from our class, leaving only 22 out of 100, and Anderson was one of the men dropped, so it would be ridiculous of me even to wish I had been chosen. A new company was formed yesterday of all men who took the m.g. course & who weren't made instructors, and it sure is a beauty. While the rest of the battalion is taking m.g. we will have what they had during the last five weeks, only we only have it for four weeks, as that is the length of the m.g. course for the new men. Since the officers of the 1st Bn are free now, five of



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the best ones have been assigned to our new company, so we really are in luck, except that infantry drill, military law, company administration, courtesy, and all that stuff isn't too interesting. Major Montague made us a speech yesterday & told us that we were supposed to be the picked men of the O.T.S. & must line up to the standard out out for us, & that the hardest part of our work is over. We have a really fine company - snappy and pretty military - because in the beginning each Company Commander tried to pick his best men for the M.G. school, and generally made few mistakes. That isn't only talk & pride, because the company really is made up of fine men.

and I would rather be in it than anywhere else at present. Lieut. Col. Westmoreland rode over to see us drill this morning and he remarked "What company is that? I never saw it before." And when he was told it was the "also rans" from the school, he said "Well, that is the best looking company I have seen in this camp & it does my heart good to watch them." We call ourselves the "also rans", "the rejects" and the "misfits" but the company is right there with the stuff. There are over twenty four six footers in the company and one hundred and fifty altogether. Two men in the first squad are exactly as tall as I am. In fact I had to kick sand under my heels when ^{we} were lined up for sizing in order to be placed as No. 1. That is the best place in a company to march so I worked hard & landed it.



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The details from each company are formed on their company streets and marched to the assembly point behind headquarters for each formation. I am responsible for producing the 5th Co. detail at 7.30, 1.30 & 7.00 each day "not at 7.31 but 7.30 on time" as Lieut. Sheehy put it. All I have to do is fall them in a little ^{earlier} & march them over & then back after the formation.

This afternoon and evening I am H.C.O. in charge of quarters and have to make an hourly inspection of everything & a report at the end. Between times I sit on my bunk & write to you, which is very pleasant, considering the intense heat & platoon drill.

in the white sand which is going on now. It is so hot that I have literally soaked all my clothes just sitting here, & there is a continuous stream running through my eyes & off my chin. You can't imagine how hot it is & what kind of heat there is here. I never did before I got here. It is only 100° in the shade now but is a different kind of heat than we have in the North. Somehow it is impossible to mop off the perspiration fast enough. I made a mistake; It is just 105 in the shade now, the supply Sgt, Ted Kyle, tells me. Anyway I must stop for a quarter of an hour or so and make the rounds again. It is 3 P.M. It is now 3.25 and the company is inspected and passed by the NCO in charge of quarters.

There are four different calls blown in the morning and they



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blew the prize of them all this morning. There is always blow
at call at 6.00, reveille at 6.15, and
assembly at 6.20 and at 6.10
the buglers blow anything they
like except when pay call is
to be blown, and that was today.
It is a wonderful sound to hear
when you are just lacing your
shoes and are so sleepy you
can't think. It means that
some time during the day the
paymaster will be around
and pass out some cash. The
summer is moving right along. It
is still dark when we fall in at
reveille these days, not dawn
even, but real night or darn
near it.

I have been reduced from
a private 1st class to a private.

An order was issued from Washington that all men enlisting or who have enlisted as 1st class privs will be reduced & only get \$30.00 a month. That includes all college men, and leaves me \$23.50 a month.

We had some real excitement last night. About 9.30 a shot was fired at the stockade just six rows of tents above us. There is a guard house & ~~double~~ large stockade where prisoners are kept just a little way up the line beside the field where we had all the m.g. drill. Everyday we saw those tough prisoners and inefficient looking guards but never expected that anything would happen in that place. There are two 10ft. barbed wire fences completely surrounding the area & the guards walk around between the fences with loaded rifles. Soon after that shot was fired a fellow named Thayer came in &



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said that a prisoner had been shot while trying to escape. He saw the ambulance taking him away & then was chased by the M.P. himself. About eleven o'clock two M.P. officers came into our tent looking for McLean, who is McJennott's best friend from Lowell. They went down to his tent & Mac was scared stiff for fear that McLean was in trouble. Then the officers came back & asked Mac if he knew a man in Lowell named McKenna who was a dope fiend. Mac didn't know him & the officers went away. We found out from McLean that McKenna was shot ~~from~~ off the outer wall by a guard and was dying. He said he knew a McLean in the A.T.S. from Lowell so the M.P.s came here. McLean

couldn't remember the man, but
after the officers left he found a
letter from his girl saying that
the only man she had even heard
of at Camp Hancock was the brother
of a girl, ^{named Miss Keene} who worked with her in
the U.S. Cartridge Co. at Lowell, but
he was claimed as a deserter & was
in the guard house. This man
had no service record & no one
knew him at all & he knew no one
except McLean, he claimed. He
died this morning.

You ought to see the four little
units in the Bean tent. There are
only four in that tent, - McLean,
McDougal, McGarrahan, & Kelly,
and it is the last tent in the
street - the 16th squad.

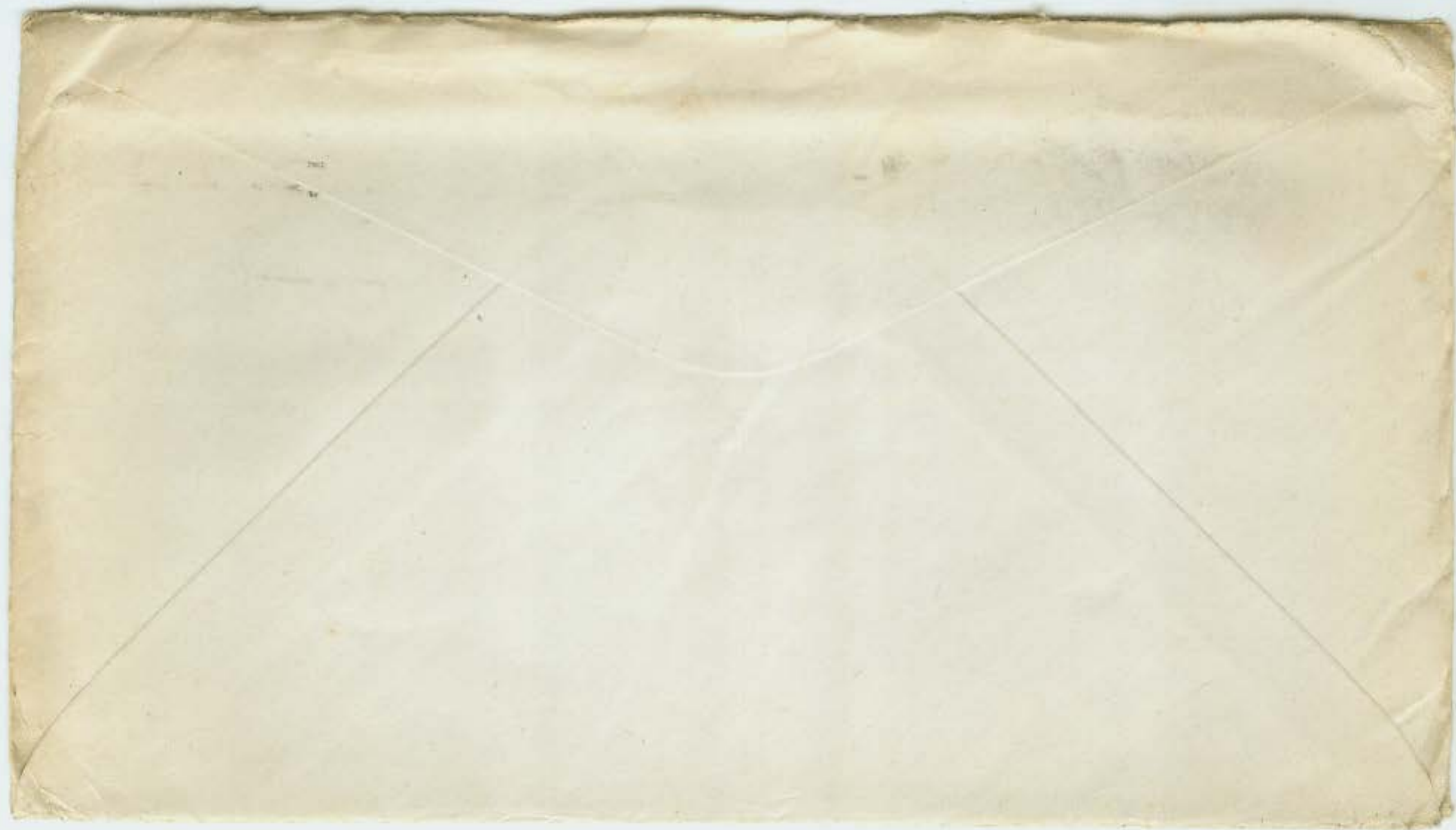
Thank you all again for the wonderful
party, also the socks & mirror. You are
the best family I ever had. Thank
Rebecca also, & I shall send her a card
pretty soon. The socks & mirror are
awfully nice & useful. Lots of love
to you all, Huck.



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Belleville
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Sunday, Aug 4, 1918

Dear Mother, -

I got your letter postmarked Aug 2 9.30 A.M. this morning at 11. Something definite happened yesterday morning but it doesn't affect me very much. Without correcting our final exams thirty men out of our course of 100 were selected as instructors for the rest of the O.T.S. Three were taken out of my class of ten and I wasn't chosen, which is only natural, since the men selected are all old machine gunners. Anderson, in this tent, was one of them, and he had been nine months in the 304th M.G. Co. at Levens and was 1st sgt of his company for a couple of months. Practically all the new instructors have had the same course before only with the Vickers gun instead of the Browning. Most of

them had certificates as "1st class instructors, having passed the Vickers course." I suppose 30 were chosen out of Capt Omerod's course also. Capt Lean said that the work had been unusually successful and that he had no idea of flunking more than five or six in the course. These sixty new instructors begin tomorrow as assistant instructors in the course for the rest of the companies who have been having infantry etc for the last five weeks, and the other 140 will probably be organized into a company to take that infantry & tactics that are missed while at the M.G. school. There will be 600 at the M.G. school and 140 doing inf work. The second battalion is composed of men who got here in July & they will have to wait for this second course to end before they have a chance.

I don't know whether to be glad or sorry at not being an instructor, but I am rather inclined to be



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content the way it is. Lieut. Jones really oughtn't to have sent me there in the first place, as Capt. Lane supposed that everyone was an old hand at m.g. & only needed the latest ideas to make him into an expert machine gunner. However, I learned a lot & am glad of it, and may be a lot better off than if I had been one of the 60. It may mean that I can get out of this hopeless camp and really do some work somewhere, like being assigned to a m.g. company as a candidate instructor or something like that, although I imagine that all the men in the first battalion will graduate at the same time which will be five or six weeks from now. The first bn. is composed of the 1st 6 companies & the colored 13th Co.

The second bu. contains the 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th, 11th, 12th, & 14th Cos.

Saturday afternoon the 13th Co beat the 5th in a base ball game 5-4. They have been playing regularly since they got here and we hadn't seen a ball since we came. I played 1st base for 3 innings and had the pleasure of striking out without moving my bat. All the balls were outside & on the ground almost & there was a colored umpire, so I didn't have a prayer. Anderson wanted to play so I bowed out in the 4th inning and let him have my place. I had no knee brace on & I was half scared all the time that I would turn it. It did get a slight twist once just from my stepping on the side of the base. It isn't worth while for me to try that stuff anyway.

I will send some more laundry as soon as we get paid and will put the date on the outside so you can tell how long it takes to get



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there. I have been washing my own trousers and leggins but the other day an order came out forbidding the use of the showers for washing, so it is pretty hard to do them now, and I may send some home, but I will try ~~not~~ to avoid it. It is no use getting laundry done here, even though there are hundreds of colored women coming around & trying to get it all the time. They charge terrific prices and no one ever gets his clothes back as he sent them; either some pieces are missing or they get the wrong ones. These women charge 30¢ for shirts & everything else in proportion, so that a laundry the size of the ones I send home would be about \$1.50 or \$2.00. One of the men in this company got a fine laundry back the other

day. He sent two pairs of new trousers, 1 shirt, 3 pairs of socks, 3 suits of underwear, + a dozen or so handkerchiefs. All he got back was one worn out and patched pair of trousers, seven odd socks, and the equivalent of his underwear & handkerchiefs, and the woman wanted \$1.25 for it. He got out of it for 75¢ & was lucky. Doc Waycott ~~sent some~~ ^{gave some} clothes to one of the darbies three weeks ago & hasn't seen her since. These wash women used to be cooks in Augusta & now Mrs Jack says that there are no cooks or maids to be found anywhere. They make more money beating the soldiers out of cash, just like everyone else tries to do. A soldier is picked out as a human bank & easy work by everyone in all businesses down here & they are all robbers.

Two men were canned from the company yesterday. They were called up before the C.O. & asked for their resignations, on general reasons. Saff escaped somehow.



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For the last ten days we have had intermittent rains and everything I owned was wet, either from rain or from accumulating the dampness right here in the tent. The sun came out yesterday & every one was thankful to see it. I had to hang all my stuff out to dry. When it hasn't been raining it has been hotter than blue blazes.

This morning Nelse Downie, who used to be the head clerk at Ogden's, came in to see me. He was sent down here last month along with a lot of Massachusetts men. I saw one of "George" Rudnick's sons in Augusta once, and the other night I met a man named O'Fall who used to work for the Mayhew & Lemons, the electrician, in

Williamstown. Mike Domin is a pretty nice fellow, & is now in the specialists school of the Depot brigade. They will all be machine gunners eventually.

Men are always getting food down here & I think it keeps alright so don't hesitate for that reason, but still it is pretty hot weather for you to be making stuff in the kitchen, & I am happy as long as I can buy canteen checks, so don't bother about sending anything unless it causes you no trouble. The cookies then sent were fine and enjoyed by the squad. Hair milk can be bought at the canteen for 10¢ a pint & that is the only civilized food to be had here. The restaurants & hotels in Augusta are almost impossible, so I am looking forward to getting back to civilization some time in the future.

Your ideas about my "wealth" are absolutely O.K. with me, & whenever you need the legal



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permission, I will give it to you. You certainly have been fine to take care of all that complicated financial business and you have my permission to invest it any way you like. I don't need any of that coal money, so you don't have to bother about keeping any balance in the bank. All I want is maybe a few dollars when I am hard up some month, and Dad is going to give me an outfit if I get a commission, which will certainly be nice for me. Outside of that I need nothing, as far as I can see, except a change of climate, preferably to the East 3000 miles or to the north 1000, and I hope it comes soon. This is no place for a person to live comfortably.

or even stay healthy. You can't
work hard enough to keep in
condition without being in danger
from the heat.

Don't be discouraged about my
not being made an instructor. I
never wanted to be one anyway,
although it is quite an honor to
be one of the top 30. It would have
been quite an accomplishment
to beat out all those veterans and
I tried hard enough, but the way it
has turned out suits me very well.

Give my love to Dad, Henrietta &
Mary. Did Maggie ever get my card?
Give her & Rebecca "my best" also.

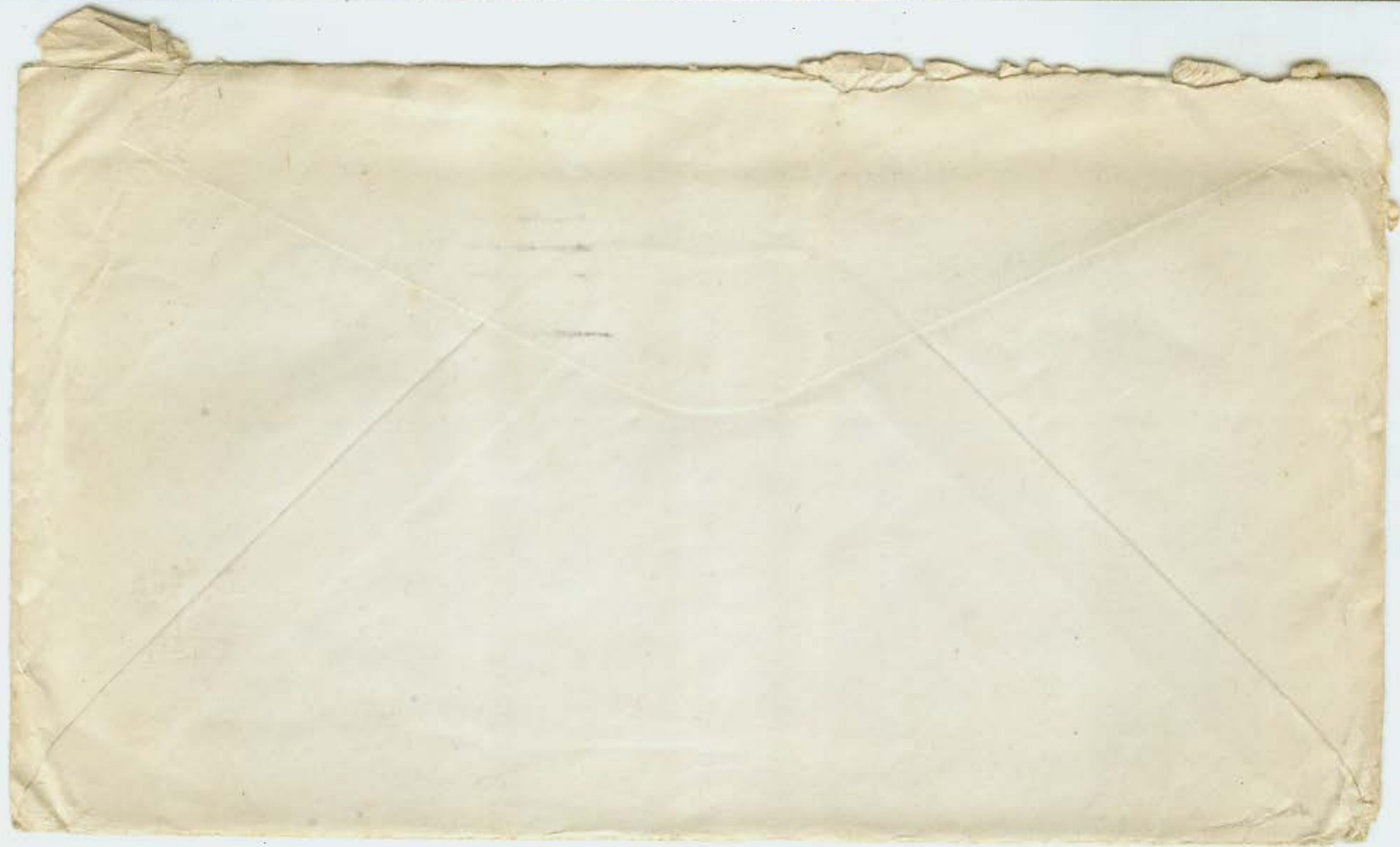
Your loving son,
Hugh.



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Friday, August 2, 1918

Dear Dad:-

Don't become too confident about my getting a commission in the near future. It may not be till September, if I get one at all. We had our final examination this afternoon and have had a test almost every day for a week, so I feel as though I had done a week's work, but it surely was hard, especially the final. We had $2\frac{1}{2}$ hours to answer seven of the most beautiful questions imaginable, and the only consolation I have is that about eighty percent of the class made as many mistakes as I did. Out of a possible 60 as perfect I estimated my grade to be

between 35 and 45, but it is impossible to judge how Captain Lean will feel when he corrects the paper. It isn't like having an experienced professor at college correct the work. These army officers don't ever say the same thing in the same way twice and they correct more or less arbitrarily. The 17% I got in the mechanism test wasn't a good example of my marks, but it was the only definite mark I had received in any test up till that time. Yesterday we had a test in correcting mistakes made by gun teams in elementary drill, & it was the most unfair test I ever saw. The idea was to have us act as instructors & put a team through the tests in elementary drill & correct all the mistakes. Here is the way it was done. The poor candidate walked around a corner and found a gun mounted as badly as possible with two of our regular instructors



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acting as men to be tested & another
as judge with a blank to fill out
with all the points you overlooked & the
way you went about it. They had
gone through the same thing about
twenty times & were tired, besides
feeling like having a little lark.
You had 1 minute to do the criticizing
of all the mistakes they made in about
25 seconds. They did everything
wrong & had a good time trying to
fool you & mix you up as much as
possible. Of course Capt. Sean was
somewhere else & they could do as
they liked & you were out of luck.
I came away with a 14 out of a
possible 22. I don't know how
I stand in the whole thing, but it
is all over and I will have to
accept the results, for better or
for worse. ~~Some~~ Probably 40

men of the 200 will be made instructors and a few will be dropped from the O.T.S. altogether, and nobody knows what the majority will do. They may be assigned to M.G. Cos or sent to other camps or almost anything, but I ought to come out of it all right. I have a very good standing in this company & I think a fair one under Capt. Lean, so there is nothing much to worry about. I would hate to be made a permanent instructor anywhere. What I want is to get to France with a commission & right now I think I know as much about M.G.s as the average M.G. lieutenant, and that is neither boasting nor saying a whole lot for myself.

The company has been in the trenches for 2 days & 2 nights and we 30 machine gun students had the whole company to ourselves. They came back tonight before supper & were a sorry looking



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crowd. One of them was shot by a blank at 6 inches range & is in the base hospital in pretty poor shape with a hole in his hip. We ate in another company while they were away but tonight we had our own mess and the usual 10 Kitchen Police had to be detailed. They have never been taken from the M.C. class before, but tonight we were the logical men since the company needed a rest & our course is over. I was one of the 10 detailed & have been wearing blue denims (overalls) since 4.30. It is the first time I have ever worn them & I got a good idea of the filth in the kitchen here. All dirty water is thrown in the road & there isn't enough water to wash

the dishes properly. You have to eat to live, but it is awful to think of eating poor food cooked under these conditions. I don't mind eating sand & good common dirt & earth, but I never expected to eat such filthy stuff as they have here. Nevertheless I eat it & enjoy it; what else is there for a hungry person to do? Everyone seems to live through it, but I don't see how.

The sanitary & other conditions in this camp are rotten. Col. Westmordland, the C.O. of the A.T.S., asked to have the camp moved but couldn't get transportation. The place is recognised to be unsuitable for machine gun work but they can't seem to break away.

Maybe I can tell you something definite and more encouraging the next time I write, but there is no such thing as fact around here. It is all rumor, and I



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nothing is ever definite until it is over. I never was in such an uncertain position. Next week I may be anywhere from Camp Gordon to Russia as anything from a private to a lieutenant & it may be two months or a year before I leave this place. Everything is shrouded in mystery and there is a new rumor born every five minutes so you can imagine how everyone lives from hand to mouth. I will be glad when Monday comes. We will at least know what has happened on Monday & may even have a vague idea of what will happen Tuesday. Absolutely the only definite things I know about are things that have already happened like the exam, etc.

It would be fun to live in uncertainty like this if so much wasn't at stake. We had no physical ~~work~~ ^{work} ~~last~~ week, except marching to the 1000 inch range every afternoon. There we shot ball ammunition for the first time and you ought to hear the noise twenty m.g.s. can make when they are all firing at once.

Whatever comes of all this work, I have learned a lot about machine guns and that will come in handy in any event. The only trouble is that Capt. Sean judges everyone as if they were old m.g. sgts. as most of the men at his school are. The work was about half review for them & entirely new for me and about 10% of the class.

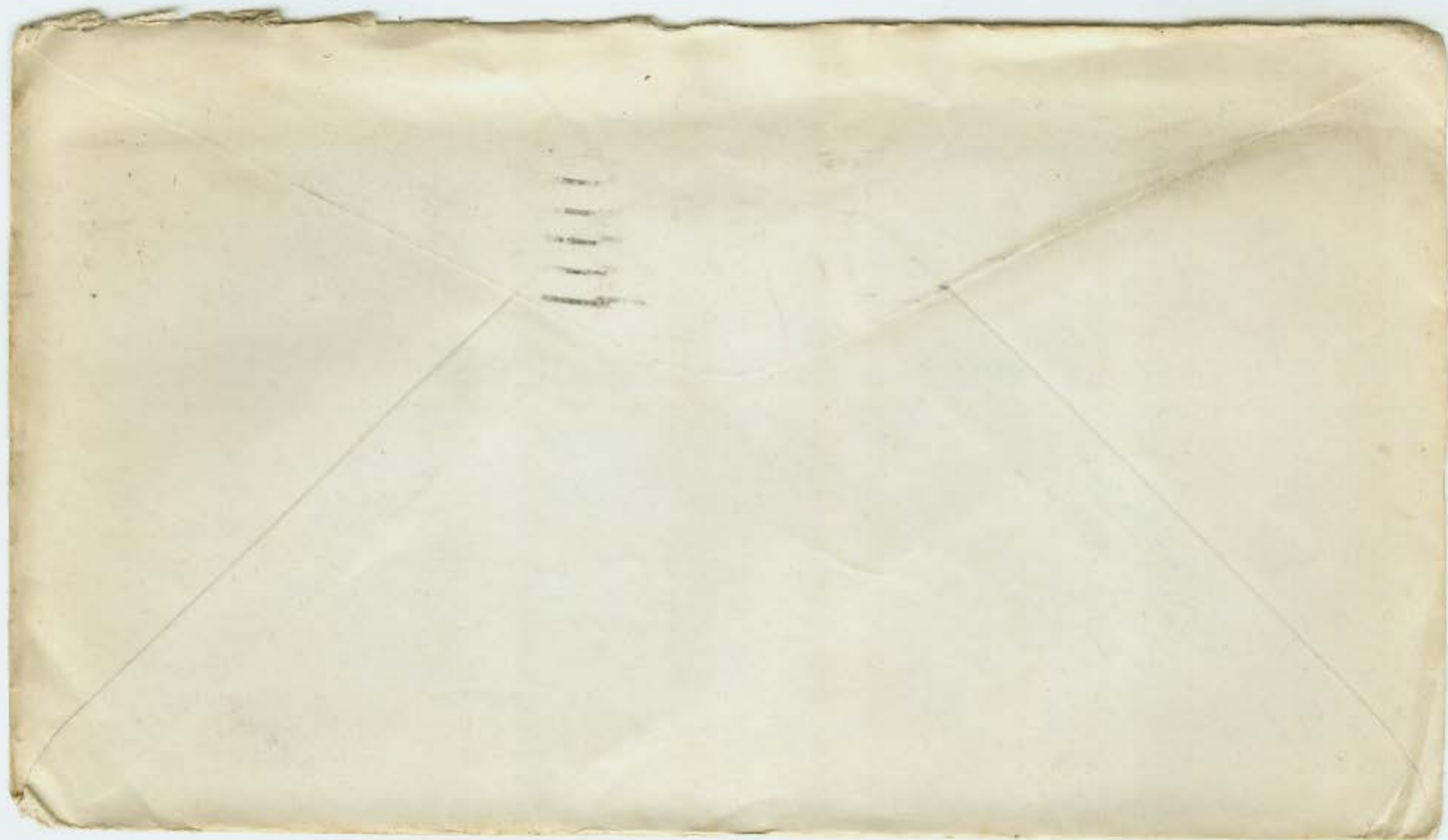
Don't be encouraged and give my love to all the family & prepare Mary for a letter from me. I don't want her to throw a fit when she gets it. I have owed her one for weeks.
Your loving son, Hugh.



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Mrs. H.C. Dingley
Bellefonte
Penn.



The 3rd building you can see up the line
was the Troop 2 mess hall now
occupied by ARMY AND NAVY 2nd Co. Chicago
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8 P.M. July 28, 1918

Dear Mother:-

We went to the Jack's this afternoon but there was nobody home so we drilled back up to camp, & I have been studying ever since.

The enclosed picture was taken two weeks ago today by a boy in our company while we had our gun in the tent getting acquainted with it & showing the rest of the squad the working parts of it. We had to work pretty fast in making the picture because it is a court martial offense to take pictures of the Browning. The next day a notice was posted prohibiting anyone from even keeping a camera

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in this camp, but no one saw
us taking the pictures so we
are all right & just in time.
Don't put it in the Watchman or
anything like that, but it will
be all right to keep it in the
house, & don't lose it.

I forgot to tell Dad this P.M.
that we went out to the M.G.
range last Tuesday. They
shipped the whole course out
to the range in trucks & we
watched a British Major carry
out some demonstrations in
bands of fire, traversing, swinging
traverse, overhead fire, combined
sights, searching, etc., & they
certainly were interesting.
The field officers of the M.G.C.
were there learning the stuff
too. There were 5 Colonels, and
12 Majors, besides the British
officers & N.C.O.s. It was a
great demonstration and
gave a very good idea of the
actual use of M.G.s. in war.
Lots of love to you all, ^{slip of the}
as you were. ^{pen} Quig. get that!
Your loving son Hugh.



E. C. STULB,
PROPRIETOR,
AUGUSTA, GA.



Judge Henry C. Quigley
Bellevue
Penn.





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Dear Dad:-

This paper is merely a fooler, for I am not staying here this week, not on \$26.50 per month. That doesn't mean that I need any money, because I have enough to last till pay day, but a party like we had here last week can only happen once a month.

Yesterday afternoon I came into town late with Doc. Waycott & De Bergen and saw a fair vaudeville show. We went right back & slept in camp. Scotty should have showed up yesterday but I couldn't find him anywhere. I got a letter from him last Monday asking me



August 18 1891

Dear Bob:-

This paper is very

interesting for me, and
this week, not only for
the reason that I read
and enjoy, but also for
the fact that it is
a paper like no other
I have ever read one
before.

Yesterday afternoon I came

into town late with the
baggage and saw a few
strangers. We went right
back to sleep in camp. Really
should have stayed up
but I couldn't find time
anywhere. I got a letter from
him last Monday and



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to come to Macon this week as it is his last week end in Georgia. He is going to the Field Artillery O.T.S. at Louisville on August first, and wanted to see me before he left. I cannot imagine how he made that camp from the Ordnance, but it is wonderful for him and it is only right that a man with his ability should have his opportunity to get a commission. I wrote to him Monday and told him that I couldn't possibly make Macon with all the work I have to do and only a day and a half to spare & very few cash, but that it would be much easier for him



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August 13

V. C. 1911
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in his last week and in August
He is going to the U.S. to
O.T. 2. or something in August
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before he left. I cannot remember
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to get the necessary pass and that
I would help him out financially
while he was here. In his letter
he said he had attempted to
come to Augusta every week-end
but never had the money, and
that if I couldn't get away
he would try hard to get here.
I never heard from him after
I wrote on Monday so I didn't
know what to expect. I waited
in camp most of yesterday
afternoon & he didn't show up.
This morning Laff & I came in
to church & went around to
the Allen's house to see if they
had heard anything of Scotty.



August 25 1891

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 would help him out financially
 while he was here. In the letter
 he said he had attempted to
 come to Toronto every week-end
 but never had the money, and
 that if I could not get any
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We took Elizabeth to church and enjoyed the morning very much. She is very nice, and I was mistaken about her attitude toward Ellis, for she seems to like him very much and intends to try to go to school in Spartanburg this fall. I don't see how he gets away with it, but he evidently does from the way she spoke of him this morning. Elizabeth's brother was at home this week-end. He got a commission at the Third Camp at Camp Gordon, and is a darn fine boy. We bowed out before dinner,



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so as not to inconvenience them at all, because house-keeping is quite a problem there, and two unexpected drums would upset things quite a little for them. We had lunch at a cafeteria and expect to make a party call at the Jack's in a few minutes.

Poor Laff. is sort of out of luck at present. You know what I said about his unmilitary bearing, etc. Well, the C.O. called him in on the carpet last week and told him about everything that was wrong & laughing about him, including his bearing, lack



August 25 1911

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at all, because there is
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of pep, and a few other things I have forgotten. The Lieutenant intimated that he wouldn't make a good officer unless he took an awful brace, and poor Saff can't do it, I am afraid, because the moment he thinks anyone is watching him he loses his nerve, if he has any at all. He was only one of fine called in last week, and all^{of} them are sloppy & more or less hopeless. It's too bad, but Saff can't seem to improve, & I am afraid that he will be dropped along with the others, unless he takes



August 13 1911

of fact, and a few other things
I have forgotten. The intention
is to have a list of names
and a good officer unless
he takes an interest in
the work, and if he
does not, he will be
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a shot in the arm or shows some initiative somehow. He was a platoon leader one day a while ago & won't have any more chances to show anything before the company, so he is in a bad way. His marks in all the exams they have had were good, but that won't drag him through. I certainly do thank the Lord for the experience I had in Williamstown because I was about the same way thirteen months ago, and now I enjoy standing in front of a company & making a noise & bawling men out - honestly I do - but before that summer camp last year I couldn't have imagined



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Augusta Ga

a short in the arm or shoulder
some interesting specimens. It was
a short in the arm or shoulder
and I want to see you and want
to see you and want to see you
the company, as it is in a box
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myself ever saying a word to
anyone from the front. If I lose
a commission it won't be for
lack of confidence & pep, anyway.
One expression for being "called
in on the carpet" is "to be up
before the benzine board" & that
is very appropriate, because
they never spare anyone's feelings
& just tear them to pieces, bit by
bit. Saff was so nervous that
his knees began to shake & Lieut
Thompson even spoke about
that, so that poor Saff was
exhausted from fright when
he came out.

We will be moving toward
the Jacks very shortly and I



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August 25

Myself and some other
people from the front of the
company of men of the
back of confidence & hope, and
the experience for being called
in the "company" in the
before the "company" and
is very appropriate, because
then never before any other
time, but now they are
left, and they are
his house began to move & then
the house even after about
now that the house was
examined from first when
we come out.
We will be moving toward
the back very shortly and



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will have to discontinue
this letter. It is more or less
certain that we will be
through here on Sept. 1st,-
mostly less, but that is the
strongest rumor out at present
& seems very likely. The company
works 48 hours in the trenches
this week, while the M. G.
school just lasts 1 more week
for us, and then the rest get a
shot at it. Probably we will help
instruct.

Lots of love to all the family,

Your loving son,
Hugh.



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Augusta Ga. 1871

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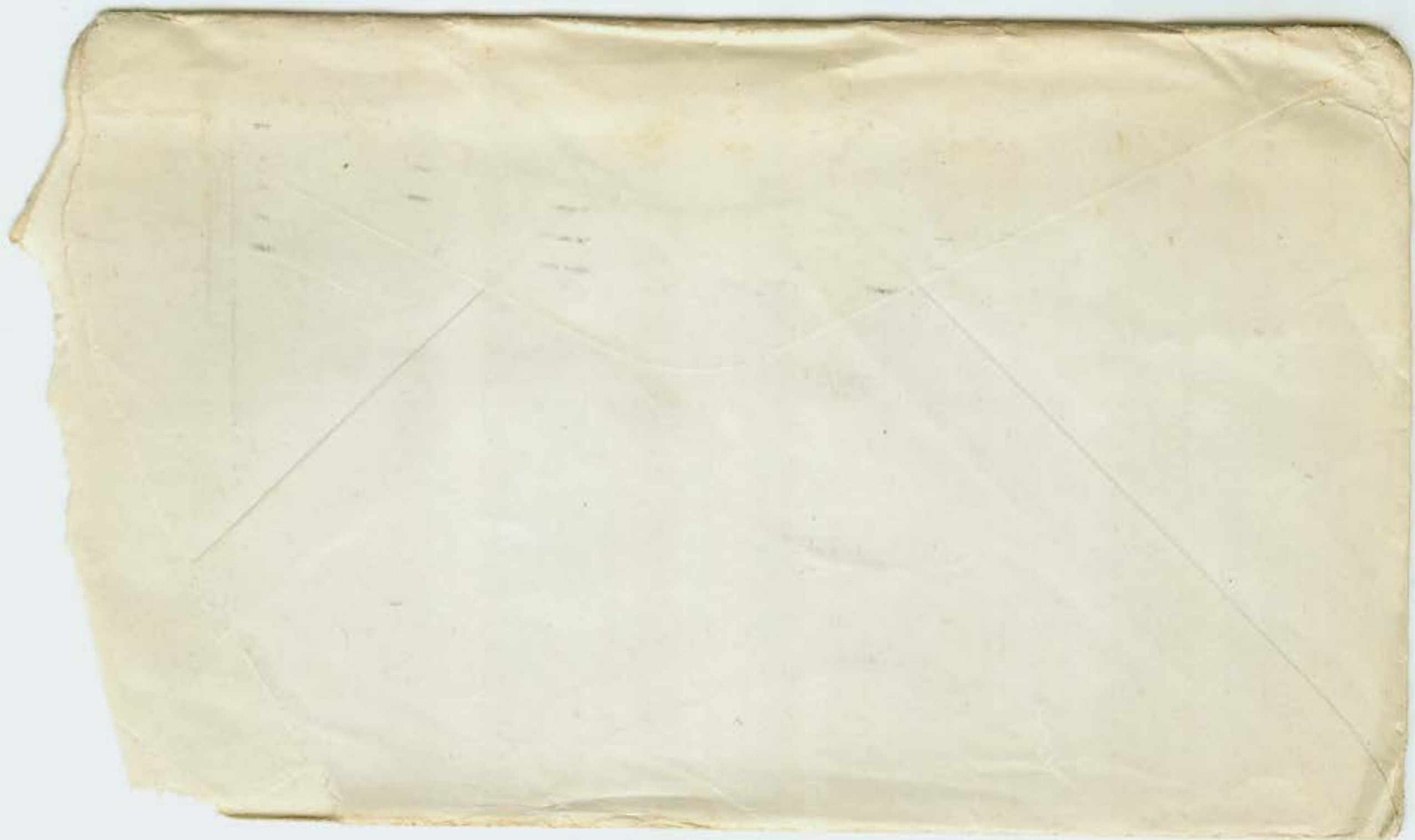
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this week, while the M.P.
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for us, and then the rest of
it. Probably we will help
to get all the family
from Camp 201.
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Penn.





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mechanism which lasted most of the morning.
In our squad of 10 there was one 20%, 3-17%,
1-16%, 1-15%, 1-12%, 1-11%, & 2-7%, so I
feel sort of proud, since the others are
old hands at the work.

I have felt fine all the time I have
been here except that one day, & now
I weigh 151.

I will always be a Candidate until
I get a commission or am sent back to
the ranks, but if you don't like the
title, don't use it. The mail will get
here just the same.

I was issued 3 ^{pro.} casual socks & 2 ^{pro.} cottons &
I never bought myself any since I left
home. When the issued ones wear out
they are replaced by the U.S. No one
ever has more than 5 pairs of issued
socks, however.

Saff is really a very nice fellow
& has a fine family, but he is a

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very unsatisfactory running mate. He is more awkward about getting around on his feet than Ellis K. and is never sure of what to do. He has no self-confidence, although he is about 24, and hangs onto me like a dying man. He is just tiresome, but harmless. He will never make a soldier in a thousand years. He is weak all over & sure of his inability to do anything & therefore he never improves. That isn't much of a recommendation for him but it is pretty nearly correct. He has had lots of opportunity & has been all over the country, graduated from college a year ago, & still can't seem to come out of all.

I spent the week end at the Geneva Hotel studying mostly. Jeff Adams & Kyle & I got a quadruple room with an electric fan & comfortable beds & had a fine rest. Kyle & I are in the M. G. school, so we took our notes & studied most of the time. Hence the 17%. Adams & Kyle are from New Milford, Conn., & are darn good men. Kyle graduated from Trinity in 1915. We saw two Vanderbilt shows Sat. night &



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worked the rest of the time. We really studied too, & it did us lots of good. I will have to stop now & go to "jante". The exam we had this A.M. was scheduled for Sat but we had another psychological exam then & that leaves you a wreck so we were excused & had it this A.M. I wish I could smuggle you one of those exam papers. They are funny and at the same time nerve racking for the man taking them. 330 questions & you have to hustle some fast!

6 P.M. - Here is an example of one type of question.

YES	NO
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 "If a machine gun shoots more shots in a minute than a rifle place an X in the next to the smallest division of the figure, if it does not cross out "yes". You are holding your pencil over your head & when the officer says "go" you write & in 2 seconds he says "stop". There is a

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page of easy mathematical problems, a page of general knowledge questions and all sorts of foolish questions. There is a penalty of a few years in the pen for taking one of the papers out of the building.

You certainly do meet men from everywhere in this army. The man next to me in the eng. school is a big cowboy from camp Lewis. He owns a 700 acre ranch in Montana. The man next to him is a movie actor named Markley. He came from Stevens.

There are three prevalent rumors floating around now:

- (1) Hancock has been condemned as a machine gun center on account of the sand ruining the guns. We will be moved either to Camp Meade, Camp Dix, Camp Upton, or Camp Stevens.
- (2) This one was produced by one of the British sgt. major in charge of $\frac{1}{2}$ of the course. We have 2 more weeks rather than the whole OTS will get 5 weeks just as we did, which we act as assistant instructors. This is almost a fact, but you never can tell.
- (3) Another one is that we will be on furlough from Aug 15. to Sept 5. I hope it's true but doubt it a lot. The second one is the most reasonable & it



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July 22, 1918

Dear Mother:

I am going to answer some of the questions in your last two letters, so get ready. The Jacks & Allens are in the same set but Mrs. Jack doesn't approve of E. Allen's running about, as she does. You know that Mrs. Allen died last winter and E. does pretty much what she wishes. She drives up to camp in the evening and there is no one to keep her at home. She is very nice however, but she is far from being Ellis' property. He thinks she is, but she spends her time running around with all the majors & other officers she can get hold of. Ellis fits in as a friend of the family and makes himself at home & is perfectly contented, thinking that he has the inside track.

You can't seem to understand that absolutely the only fault with any of the

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sox you knitted is that a couple of them are a little long in the leg & leg only. The beelless ones were fine & there is no need of reknitting them except maybe to cut down the top about 4 inches. The ~~dark~~ gray pair with dark blue ring is the prettiest piece of work I ever saw & fits perfectly. The feet of all of them are exactly right.

If you get a chance, let Jack Montgomery know that I am very sorry to hear that he is laid up & hope he gets well soon.

Don't worry about placing camps in the south for vegetable or fruit supplies, or any other advantages. It was only done out of spite or natural meanness, or perhaps political pull. The only vegetables we get are potatoes, canned corn, rice, & canned peas, & the only fruit consists of apricots & prunes, sometimes applesauce. All these things taste better in the north, & at Denver we got more variety. However I am getting to like the place. The moon thru the pine trees was wonderful last night & it has been tolerably cool. The work is interesting too. I got 17% out of a possible 20 in a test on

would bring us up to Sept. 15.

You should have seen the circus we had last night in the Co street. Call came out with a lariat & a 17 foot snake whip & he & Richter put on some show. It was worth a quarter to see it. He pulled some fancy stunts roping Richter by each foot, both feet, waist, one arm, both arms, head, and then he had him all tied up. He can spin a noose around him pretty well too. Then he did some of the neatest slack rope walking I ever saw. A tent rope hanging between two trees & he picked up handkerchiefs from the rope in his teeth, lay down, and finally did a big swing on one foot & that is quite a trick. Standing sideways on the rope on

one foot and swinging sideways.
The final act was with the snake
whip. It is no of those raw hide
ones with a short loaded handle &
a leather crack in it. Richter held
a six inch piece of paper in
his mouth & Call cut it off inch
by inch till there was one inch
left & never even touched Richter's
nose. If he had there would have
been no nose, for that crack works
just like a knife & makes a
noise like a gun. That was from
15 feet away. He had some clever
tricks cracking the whip around
his head & he can wrap it around
your wrist without cutting at all.
Call lived all his life in
Massachusetts but you might

think he was a real cowboy or
a performer in Ringling's Circus.
He juggled three golf balls while on
the rope standing with one foot out
in the air. It really was a clever
little show & that man is an awfully
big brute, too, & Richter is even
bigger. They just did it for
their own amusement but it
attracted a crowd of several
hundred.

I must stop now & go to
the ~~evening~~ class in the u. g.
school.

Lots of love to all the family.
Your loving son,
Hugh.



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Mrs. H. C. Quigley
Belleville
Penn.

from HMQ.
5th Co. C.M.G.O.T.S.
Camp Hancock
Ga.

I sent you the 1919 Gul yesterday.



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July 16, 1918

Dear Mother :-

Four new companies arrived on Saturday night & Sunday so we now have eleven. All the racket on Saturday night that I told Dad about in my last letter was a real fight. That company was made up of Regular Cavalrymen from Fort Bliss and National Guardsmen from Camp Cody. They came in on the train together and the Regulars spent their time making fun of the N.G.s in every city they went through. They arrived here about 1230 and were issued cots & told to sleep in the mess hall that night. There were no lights & the N.G.s took the opportunity & beat up some of the Regulars. They used boards, cots, tent pins, & fists & caused quite a din. We all woke up but no one went very close to them.

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The Corporal of the Guard was called & they finally settled down, but not till some damage was done to a few of the Cavalrymen.

Saff & I went to the Jack's for supper Sunday & found Captain Ard and Lieutenant Daneker, a friend of his, also there. We had a fine supper & a pleasant evening. Captain Ard introduced us to Judge Wood next door and also numerous elderly ladies in his family. The judge knows lots of lawyers & judges in Pittsburgh & some of their names were familiar although I can't recall them now. All these people are anxious to show us a good time & introduce us to the nice girls of Augusta, and Captain Ard is mainly responsible. He certainly has been nice to me. We ate some figs from the tree and also had some mixed with sliced peaches for supper. Dint a novelty.

The Machine Gun school under the British officers has been extended two weeks, so we have three weeks



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more to go. Then 100 out of the 200 will be picked for instructors to teach the entire O.T.S. That will probably let me out, and no one knows what will become of the other hundred. We may be assigned to M.G. battalions & we may not. The truth is that everyone in authority just works from hand to mouth and gets as much done as possible. The men that are not in the school are having Equitation now among infantry tactics and other things. I need some of that too, but I don't know when I will get it.

I may be home August 15 or maybe not till September or later, & I may not get home at all; that is all anyone knows around here. Just so I don't get planted here as an instructor for the rest of the war or get assigned to a depot company.

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don't care what happens. My idea
is to become a M.G. officer in active
service as soon as possible.

Captain Ard had a letter from
Dad + the judge said he was coming
down to see me sometime. That would
be wonderful and better still if
you could come too. I would love to
have you see the camp, although it
can't hold a candle to Dover.
Nevertheless it is a pretty fair place
when you get used to it. Captain
Ard wants me to let him know
when Dad comes so he can arrange
a good time for him and have him
meet Capt. Lean and Currah, the
English Machine Gunners and other
celebrities. They have mess with
Capt. Ard at headquarters.

I must stop + take a shower
+ hit my hayless bed. Lots of
love to all the family.

Your loving son,
Hugh.



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Mrs. Henry C. Quigley
Belleville
Penn.





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July 14, 1918

Dear Mother:-

Our address is changed, but
we haven't. It is now

H.M. Quigley

5th Co. C.M.G.O.T.S.

Camp Hancock, Ga.

I just now got your letter dated
July 11th. It has been wonderfully
cool in the shade here for the past
few days but summer will be
back soon, no doubt. Nevertheless,
I have lost 8 pounds since I
passed the Mason-Dixon line, and
without nearly as much exercise
as we had at Denver. The food
isn't nearly as good, and that
probably explains part of it. You
cannot get good meat down here,
& there is nothing for cows to eat,
so milk is very scarce.

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The physical work for an hour & a half each morning is continually getting stiffer, so by the time we get through, we will be in pretty good condition, as the English instructor expressed it, - "You will have muscle in your spit."

The watch came yesterday & nearly was broken before I got it. The 1st Sgt tossed it about twenty yards to me from the mail box. I caught it however & will try to keep it running. I pried the crystal off the other one & the knife slipped in & cut the pin, I imagine.

Has my rug come from Winston? Shorty Collins said he would send it when he went there a week or so ago.

Laff & I are going to have supper with the Jacks tonight. We were already to go in to church this morning when one of the M.G. class brought our gun down to the tent to show its mechanism, etc, to the less fortunate men who are still taking infantry work. I couldn't afford to waste an opportunity to become better



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acquainted with Mr. Brownings
masterpiece so I stayed here and
helped demonstrate it. We had
two exams on Saturday - one on
mechanics & the other on lectures.
They were pretty hard but I got
through fairly well. The more I
learn, the better I like it, but it
is harder for me than the veterans.

Lots of love to the family,
from your loving son,
Hugh.

Last night at 12.30 a new
company arrived from Camp Cody
& they woke everyone up trying to
get settled. We thought there was
a riot. They are a tough looking
crowd, in fact the majority of
the men here are pretty tough, but
they will make good officers, I

TO THE WRITER: SAVE BY WRITING ON BOTH SIDES OF THIS PAPER

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Suppose.

The night before last a field mouse tried to make himself comfortable around my feet & caused a general disturbance in the tent. It felt just like a snake & scared everyone so that they didn't go to sleep for an hour. It started to crawl up along my leg & I lit in the middle of the tent.

Lots of love,
Hugh.



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Judge Henry C. Singler
Bellevue
Penn.



time. Mr. Allen & Elizabeth are all that is left of the family - Mrs. Allen is dead & the brother is in the army. Ovis came in, or rather I drove him in & we five had a wonderful dinner together. Before dinner Elizabeth, Ellis, & I went for ice & it was some trip. They have a Ford but no one can run it, so I volunteered & managed to bring back the ice safely & later to drive up to camp & get Ovis without any mishaps. That is my first attempt to run a Ford & it is some job. - a regular puzzle, especially since no one had the slightest idea of the operation of a Ford.

I had to stop at that point and go to "parade". We had a short afternoon's work. At 4 the damndest thunder storm & cloud burst came up that I ever saw. It lasted for

Camp Hancock Ga.
Mon, Monday July 8, 1915

Dear Dad:

I have had some very interesting experiences since I wrote to Minnie on the 4th. Before telling you my history I want to tell you that this clipping is the truth, and I have heard the same thing from every officer I ever came in contact with who has been in France. It ought to be published in every American paper just to show the people the real state of affairs. The Canadian Captains Elliott & Smith and our present English officers and many American officers, and especially Col. Appleton (English) have all said words to the same effect.

Just after I returned from M.G. school on Friday Ovis Keller showed up & talked to me for half an hour before retreat, & then stood retreat behind our company with our flock of dud. lts.

Then in the evening as I was walking down from the evening class, someone told me that there was a machine waiting for me at our Co. street. It was Mr. & Mrs. Jack of Augusta & they are friends of Captain And's whom he sent up to see me. They invited me to come in to Augusta any time & make myself at home at their house, and said they had a party all planned out for Saturday but it was broken up for some reason or other.

On Saturday I went to see Capt. And & told him how much I appreciated his attention to me, & then Saff I sailed into town. I sent my watch home from there on the advice of a jeweler. The pin holding the hands is broken I believe & he said that I should send it to the store where I got it, so it will turn up at home shortly. Then Saff I called on the Jacks & enjoyed them very much. Mrs. Jack is awfully nice but Mr. Jack is dead to the world just like most southerners. All they can think and drawl about are watermelons & Coca Cola. There are more soft drinks consumed here than you can imagine. Anyway the Jacks had to go out to dinner so Saff I came back with an invitation to supper next Sunday evening. That was fair enough for a start.

When I got into my tent again I found a card from Ellis saying that he would be at 701 Green St. from 7.30 Saturday till noon Sunday. It was 7.30 then but I didn't go in till 10 the next morning. He didn't have to go till 4 after all & we had a pretty pleasant

not too long in the foot, but only on the leg.
It is now eight & work is ~~over~~
over. This is Tuesday evening, &
this letter is absolutely at an
end now without bidding. So
good night & lots of love to you all.
We for a nice cool shower. Did I
ever tell you that there is absolutely
no cool water in camp, only lukewarm!
It is fine for showers but awful
to drink. Good bye again,

Hugh.

an hour and completely stopped
all work. We took shelter in a shed
& waited for 45 min. & then came
back. The company had been here
since it started and our tent
was closed up & comparatively dry,
but the tents in the hollow at the
middle of the company are all
washed out. A river rushed down
the gulley & it floated cots &
rooted out tents & made a mess
generally. It is the first real
rain we have had & it surely
was a beauty. It is still raining
hard at 5.30 and doesn't look
like stopping yet.

It is now Tuesday noon & the
sun is shining once more. It rained
most of the night and there was
5 feet of water in our reservoir but
we had physical exercise anyway
on some dry ground nearby.

We are having gun drill
every day now & it is lots of fun.

trip and I certainly would like to see Fishing Creek again. There is no other place like it for beautiful scenery and a location for a camp.

Lots of love to the whole family.
Your loving son,
Hugh.

P.S. Tell Mother that I got the last laundry with the 4th pr of socks & that all the socks she has sent are fine, but I don't need so many pairs as she intends to knit. I have enough now for the summer, but if she has a pair half done it won't make me sore at all. The laundry I sent tomorrow will have the pair of heel-less socks that are too long but otherwise fine.

just like a foot ball game, no walking or double time, but running and diving in the sand & mud & then picking up a 40 lb. tripod & running some more.

We had a lecture or "allocation of Duties" this AM, & I got my first idea of the composition & personnel of a Machine Gun Company.

There are 172 men & 6 officers in a company. Three officers are mounted. There are three platoons each with 1 officer & 40 Enlisted men, besides the Company b'ys which contains Capt. 2 Lieuts & 21 men. Each platoon is divided into 2 sections, each of which has 2 guns. That makes 12 guns in a company.

I may as well call this letter off before another interruption. I hope you enjoyed your fishing.

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injurious enough to starve to
death first?

NY TIMES July 2 1915 KNOW YOUR ENEMY.

Stories of German Military Weakness to be Discounted.

To the Editor of The New York Times:

The great illusion of this war has been to minimize the German. The war would have been won long ago if we had not been deceived by insidious propaganda. When I left Australia, three years ago, my friends said: "The war will be over before you get to the front." They believed that Germany was at the starvation point; that Austria was breaking up; that social revolution would destroy the whole fabric of Prussian militarism. They little understood the efficiency of the military machine that had been elaborately built up for over forty years. That efficiency exists today and is accentuated.

There are many popular illusions concerning the German as a fighter.

The Hun is no coward. He does not hold up his hand and cry, "Mercy, kamerad." He is a bloodlust beast who violates nuns, and bayonets guiltless priests and innocent women and babes. But he is a wonderful fighter and knows how to die. The man at the front knows this. He sees him every day. The man at home does not, and so he ridicules the Hun and so weakens our estimate of the men we have to fight.

The German is not goaded or bayoneted on by his officers. The Kaiser and his chiefs have succeeded in persuading the Hun that he is fighting a war of defense to preserve the fatherland, and he fights and acts on that impulse. He needs no other incentive. I have often heard stories of Huns who were forced, at the point of the officer's pistol, to make the attack; of men who were chained to machine guns; of troops ordered to be shot if they returned to their own trenches. But on investigation these legends vanish into the air. If true they would furnish pleasant food for reflection; but they are not true and only tend to weaken our own effort.

The German prisoner is not a weakling. He is the reverse. Of all the prisoners I have seen coming in after an attack or in working gangs along the roads in France there was scarcely one who was not of good physique and a first-class fighting man. There were cases, no doubt, where the Hun, after being in the line for weeks or in No Man's Land for days, has come in with mud-thick clothes and generally worn and unkempt. But this is incidental to the business of war. The German General Staff take good care that the fighting man has everything necessary to carry on the fight.

The German is not half-starved. Whatever privations the civil population may endure, the soldier does not suffer. The truth that "an army marches on its stomach" is not a newly discovered maxim. It is older than Napoleon and German officers know every axiom of the war game. Sometimes, after days of long attack and bitter fighting, many troops are on short or no rations. It was so with the British during the retreat from Mons; it was so, in part, with the Germans in their last great drives. These are unavoidable incidents, quickly adjusted at the first opportunity.

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Our answer and our duty are clear. Every report of German weakness from German sources or from our own foolish habit of self-deception must be discounted. Every ounce of available strength must be put into the stream of activity that can alone defeat the greatest menace of modern times.

W. J. DENNY, Captain.

New York, June 26, 1918.

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acquaint themselves with my principles and to measure my character and my fitness for the high office which I aspire. I am not looking for a mere political job. I never sought one. I do, however, cherish earnestly and deeply the ambition to bring such talent and capacity as I possess to the service of the country in making ready for what the President has visioned as 'the birth of a new day'—when economic and political problems are to be solved that may regenerate and revivify the social structure of not only our own land but of all the nations of men.

"But the great problems of reconstruction are around the corner. Here and now we must deal, first, with the problems of the war, pledging the very last and best that is in us to the support of the millions of brave Americans who are following the flag on the seas and on foreign soil in the great crusade against the monster menace to the civilized world. That God's hand is guiding the spirit of our President in this great crisis, as he guided Lincoln at another time, is, I believe, the fervent conviction of the masses of our people, who under his leadership are rising to capacities for sacrifice and service that will be the glory of our history for all time and must inevitably bring victory for the right and peace to a distracted world. And it must be a peace that will end for all time the curse of war, so that the thoughts of statesmanship may be turned to binding up humanity's wounds and building a new world upon enduring foundations of justice and equal opportunity for all conditions of men, women, and children.

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AGAINST FOES OF SUFFRAGE.

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HOTEL MEN HELP Y. M. C. A.

Committee Will Take Part in Campaign for 1,000 Secretaries.

Twenty prominent hotel men met yesterday at the Yale Club and formed a committee to aid the campaign of the Y. M. C. A. for 1,000 additional Secretaries from this city to serve in the huts and stores in France. Herbert L. Pratt, Vice President of the Standard Oil Company, who recently returned from France, told of the great responsibilities which had been placed on the Y. M. C. A. by General Pershing, who asked the organization to take over a large part of the recreation work for the troops, including the great resorts which are being established in French cities for soldiers on leave.

In addition to asking for the Secretaries the Y. M. C. A. is calling for



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Camp Hancock.
4th of July, '18

Dear Mother:

That wonderful long letter of yours deserves an immediate answer, and since this is a holiday, even in the army, I shall try to give you some dope. I just scrubbed a pair of trousers and a pair of leggings and have nothing to do except make a call which I will tell you about.

Yesterday when I came back from the Machine Gun school in the morning I found this enclosed note on my bunk and didn't know what to be scared or not. I thought that my nervous system had been found faulty, because Capt. And was the man who gave us a ^{nervous} psychometric test here a week ago. But later the bearer of the note found me & told me that the Capt. knew my family

and wanted me to simply call on him, which I will do after lunch today. He is a very nice looking man, but I don't remember ever hearing of him. Perhaps you or Dad know him. I will know all about it long before you get this letter anyway.

The next laundry I send home will contain a shirt that has never been washed before, so if it can be done without shrinking, so much the better, because if it were too large now. Also don't think that because my things are brown, that I wear them for weeks. One day will turn underwear brown on account of the awful dust & sand here. The floor of our tent is nothing but dusty sand, and everything is dusty all the time.

The heel-less socks you sent were fine except they came up to my knees & consequently were pretty warm. Maybe I don't them



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home, but I have a pair with a blue ring around the top & I think that are the ones you were referring to, in fact, I am sure they are the ones. I have two other pairs of knitted ones here, the ~~the~~ white ones & the gray pair, both unworn as yet, but they look fine.

The machine gun work is fine, but it doesn't give me enough exercise. We sit in the shade most of the day taking up & taking down & assembling the gun.

There are twenty classes of ten, each with a candidate instructor who has had the course before. Then the 2 cpts, 2 sgt. majors & 1 sgt all supervise the work.

They are fine and all busy.

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quer. One of the captains looks like one of those weak, chinless, Englishmen you see in pictures, but out of which the war has made a man, & he intimates as much himself. He is a wonder now, but not very much as an imposing looking officer. He has a wonderful sense of humor now which he has gained, by 7 months in America, evidently. The other captain is a fine looking man who wears five black ribbons from the back of his collar & hanging down his back. They are both fine men & speak wonderful English, in contrast to the cockneys who are our physical instructors in the Yale bowl. They are a different type entirely but interesting & very efficient. The sgt. majors of the English M.G.C. are a higher type. All my instructors are now English for we only see the 5th Co in the morning marching to & from the bayonet bowl, & at retreat & mess.



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I am glad to hear that Mary staged a comeback in her exams & I hope she keeps it up. Tell her that it is awful to be dumb like me. The Watchman hasn't come yet, but, from your description, I expect to enjoy it immensely.

This camp gets better right along. It is pretty comfortable & I can get used to & enjoy any place in a short time, anyway. Tents are cooler than barracks any day, & the nights are wonderful here. I never knew what balmy weather was till I came down here. From 5 till 9:30 in the evening it is wonderful to sit around in underclothes only & let the warm breeze blow on you.

I had no debts when I asked

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Dad for money except we to
laff for our Augusta party + I
didn't need 25 at all. Never send
that much again because it
goes too easily. Ten is plenty.
We will be paid on the 10th I think, +
I won't need any more for a long time.

We have a typical officers'
school group in our tent. There are
only six in a tent here + it is
very comfortable.

First there is Fuller, 30 yrs old,
who graduated from M.A.C. + has
been working in Cuba, Arizona, +
various other places, as a superintendent
of farms etc. He is a queer bird,
but good hearted. Married.

Another man Harrington, graduated
from M.A.C. this year. He is pretty
hopeless as a soldier but is
nice enough otherwise.

MacDermott, an ex drug store clerk
+ pharmacist from Lowell, bunkers
right beside me + he is a wonder.
He was a 1st Class Sgt in the Medical
Corps before May 15. He is one of those



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really humorous Irishman & a damn nice fellow besides. He is about 25, and knows a lot about medical work.

Peterson from Waterbury, Conn., is another nice man, but very quiet. He is about 24 and is an awfully nice fellow.

Anderson is one of those "tough guys" from Boston who talks all the time & is very obnoxious. He gets on everyone's nerves. He used to be a shoe salesman & has a certain line of wit which is tiresome. He is 25 but acts like a kid all the time.

Harrington & I are the only ones who weren't drafted.

In the next squad there is the most perfect specimen I ever

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saw, or at least the huskiest
man on earth. He is a German
named Richter + a wonderful man.
I never saw ~~what~~ a big, husky + they
say he is a wonder with a laynet.
He has several cousins in the
German army but it doesn't
bother him at all. His pal is
a man named Call who used to
be a cowboy before he was drafted.
He is another brute, but not
like Richter, who can throw me
around in the air like I could
toss Phillip Laylor.

Then there is a smaller fellow
named Edwards who just returned
our scrubbing brush. He had
nothing on but ~~shorts~~ + brown
overalls. Since he was a
kid he has been in the Regular
Cavalry, and he wears medals
for Expert Rifleman + Swordsman.
They call him "Buckskin" or
"Mustang". He was born in Texas
+ has been stationed in Hawaii,
Philippines, Mexico, Cuba +



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all over the U.S., and hasn't
been home in 12 years. He is
an awfully friendly & interesting
man & is really good hearted &
gets along with everybody.

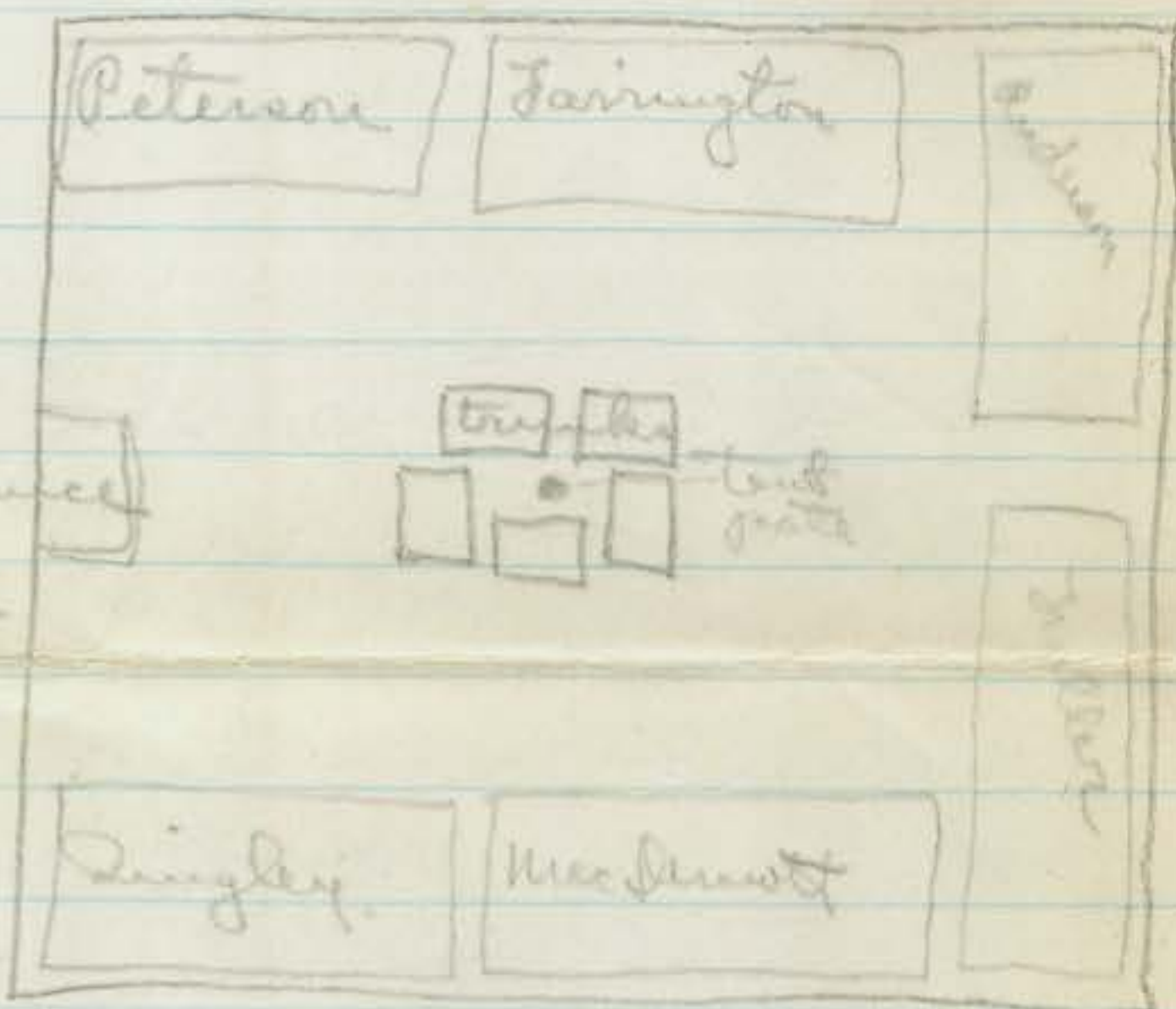
I don't know whether these
men will interest you at all,
but I love the kind of men
like MacDermott & Buckskin & Rieter.


Of course there are a great
number of decidedly uninteresting
men in the Company but you
don't have to see much of them, so
it makes no difference.

You are probably tired of
reading this & I must stop &
help fixing up the tent. We
are thinking of carting some
clay & making a floor. There
is the way they arrange six

cots in a 16' x 16' pyramid tent.

We always
keep the wall
raised so
the tent only
comes down
to within a foot
or two of the cots
& we get lots
of air, except



when it rains, we let down the wall.
We keep shoes, suitcases & barracks
bags on boards under the cots. At
Plattsburg we had 8 in each tent
like this.  & it was crowded.
Lots of love to all the family
& guests.

Your loving son,
Hugh.

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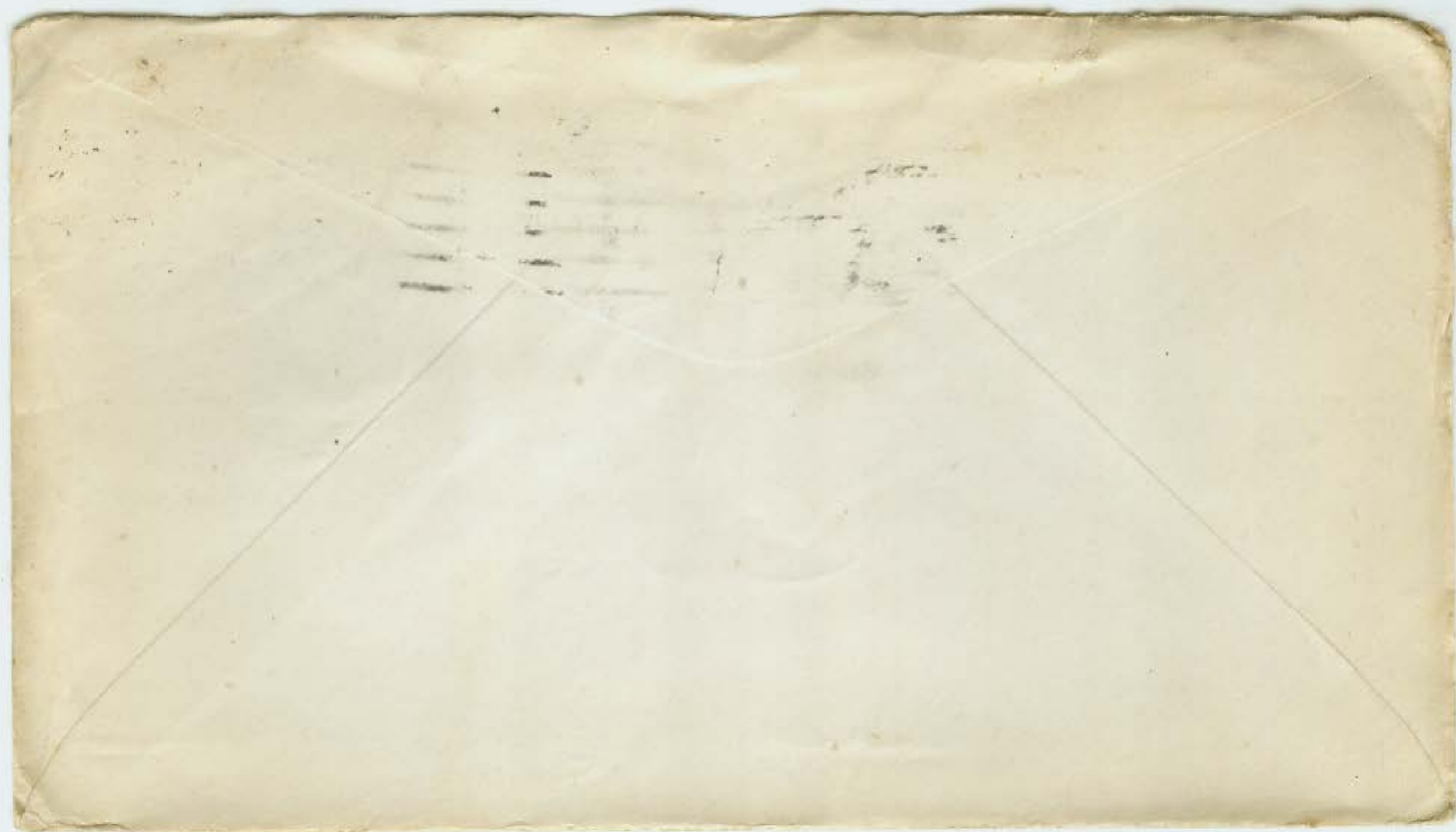
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Camp Hancock, Ga.
July 2, 1915

Dear Dad:

Things are getting more interesting every day. Yesterday Lieut. Jones asked all men who had had practical machine gun experience to raise their hands. Of course that let me out but when he had taken all the names he came up to me & asked me if I hadn't had anything about them. I said, "No sir," and he told me to report to the orderly room with the others anyway. There he chose thirty out of about forty experienced men and four others like me, & told us we were picked to attend the 3 weeks course under British officers.

We reported to the new officers & had a lecture this morning.

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There are two Captains & three sergeants so far, and all the work we do with the company now is the first hour of physical exercise in the morning. We fall in for "parade" at 9.15 and work till 12; then 1.30 till 5.00 & 7.00 till 8.00. It will be awfully hard work, especially for me & the other three inexperienced men. When we have finished the course we will instruct the rest of the company for three weeks & then Lord knows what will happen. The Captain who lectured said that we must "move along absolutely swimmingly" in order to get enough in three weeks, but the Englishmen are all fine & into their jobs.

The rest of the Co. does infantry work till we are ready to teach them. There are about 200 in the school from all the companies, the colored included. I never told you about the colored candidates.



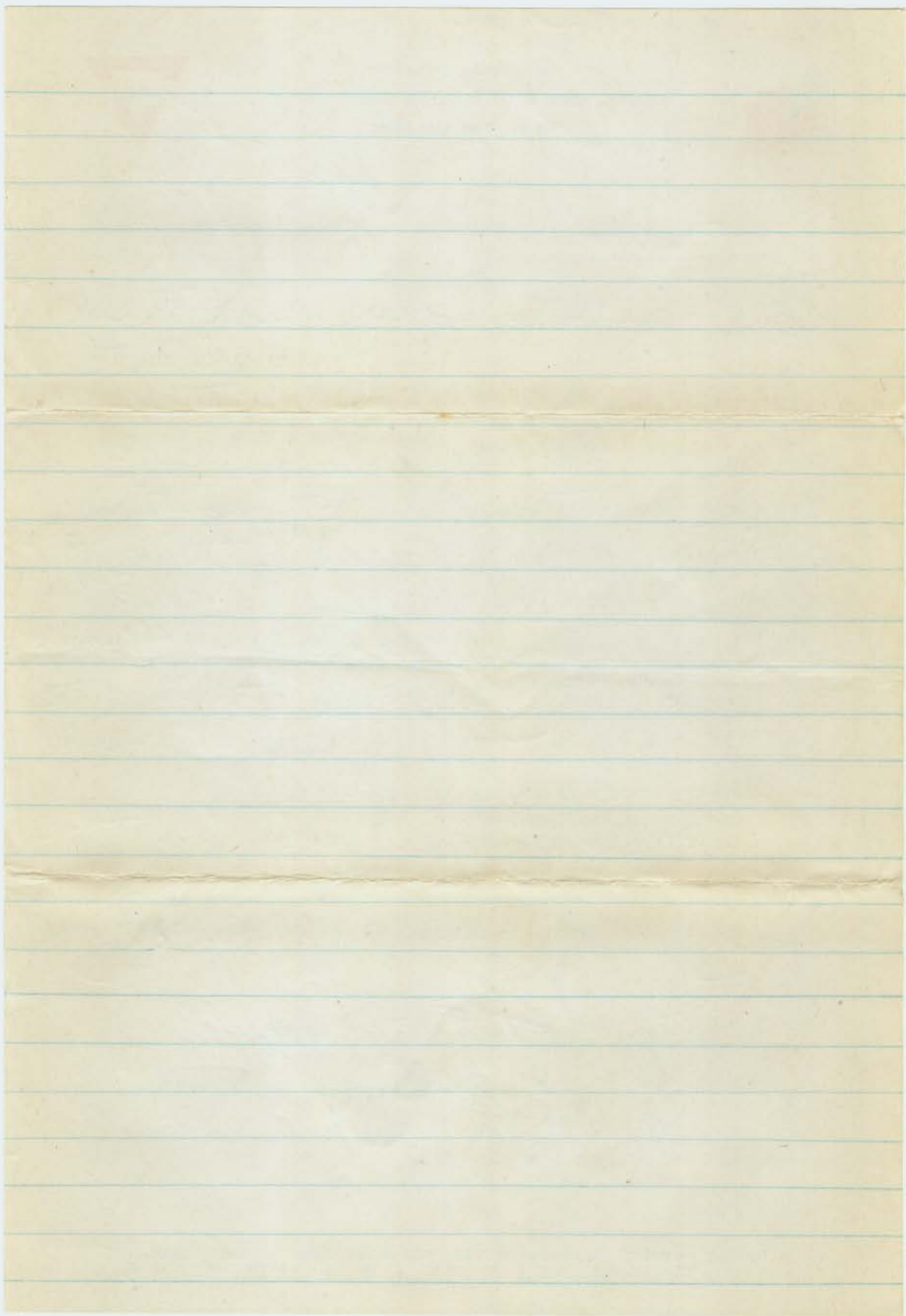
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Some camp in Iowa sent them here & I was in the adjutant's office when they unexpectedly arrived. You should have heard Major Montague & the other southern officers "rave & curse" to think of anyone having the nerve to send a hundred niggers to an officers' school, but they will stay just the same & from all appearances will make very fine officers.

Thank you very much for that 25. I never dreamed of so much money, but it was awfully nice of you to send it.

Lots of love to the family,
Your loving son,
Hugh.





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Mrs. Henry C. Dingley
Bellefonte
Penn.

Please send me a couple of needles
+ some O.D. thread (or the nearest thing to it)
for sewing on buttons.

1.
5th Co. C.O.T.S.
M.G. T.C.
Camp Hancock
Ga.



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Camp Hancock, Ga
June 27, 1918

Dear Mother :-

I got all your letters and all of Dad's including the first one, this morning, after not getting any mail at all since the day I left Devens, and I surely was glad to hear from you. Dad sent me a check for \$25.00 which is awfully large, and I hate not to support myself, but it was awfully nice of him to send us.

I will tell you a little about the use of machine guns. Before the war there used to be one M.G. Co to a regt of infantry. Last year they made it a battalion of M.G.s. to a regt, which is 3000 men without the M.G. Co. For instance at Camp Devens, the 301st M.G. Co would always be a part of the 301st regt inf. Now, however, they have decided that, in addition to the present M.G. Cos.,

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there is to be the Machine Gun Corps, which will have an independent commander, but will support the infantry as usual. It will be a separate unit, like the artillery, and will be used something like it. And it is some branch! In France a M.G. officer gets anything he wants, and an infantry officer will do anything for him.

From now on all infantry O.T.C.s are centered at Camp Lee, all artillery O.T.C.s at Camp Zachary Taylor, and all M.G. O.T.C.s at Camp Hancock. I just got a letter from Ken Stearns & he is on the way from Levens to Louisville, Ky with the artillery. So is Eddie Barron.

Did you ever get the 1919 gel? I am writing on a copy of it now. It was sent free to all soldiers.

There are no regrets at being here on my part now that the A.T.C. at Levens is no more. All the officers we had have gone back to the 76th Division, which is partly moving now. When this M.G. Corps camp is



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really established, there will be
90,000 men here for us to officer.

1st Lieut. Jones is a wonder. He is
a fine officer & has a wonderful
personality. 2nd Lieut. Chappell is
fine too, but the other 10 2nd Lt's
are awful. They are green and
can't drill a platoon as well as
the average Candidate at Queens
could at the end of four weeks.

Lieut Jones spends his time replacing
officers as platoon leaders. It's just
like giving a blown up pitcher orders
for the club house. Lieut Jones spent
45 days in the trenches without
relief and that is going some!

I got these big white socks & they
are fine, but a little long, I mean
they come up on my leg too high.
I sent you several posters which

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are issued for the inspiration of machine gunners. Don't lose them because I will want them sometime

I have been sick since yesterday morning but am practically all right now (It is 11.30 A.M. Thurs). It is the same disease I had at Plattsburg & Winstons the first week & comes from the water & climate etc. I haven't had any work to do since reveille yesterday but will start in this P.M. I was relieved of my job yesterday. They have regular lieuts to act as platoon leaders, & Lt. Jones is company commander, so we aren't needed. The 1st Sgt is a student however, the same one I appointed when we arrived. He was in my squad at Devens & has had lots of experience in that job. Thoden is his name.

This course lasts 5 weeks.

Mrs Safford's address is.

Mrs. Arthur T. Safford
266 Audover Street
Lowell Mass.



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They call it Augusta here.

Augusta may be a lovely town in winter but it is not in summer.

It wouldn't have been possible to have gone home & met the detail in Wash, - not in the army. You answer "~~here~~" to your name or are A.W.O.L. (= absent without leave) and that means guard house. No excuses accepted.

I may be home in August, I hope so. There is a train that leaves Augusta at 1:15 P.M., every day and arrives in N.Y., in 24 hours exactly, and me from N.Y. south at the same time.

It is the Augusta Special & I will surely take it if we ever get 4 days.

We may get 2 weeks at the end of August.

Thank Dad when he comes home for the beautiful check, but I will have some trouble cashing it.

Give my love to Dad, Henrietta, Mary, Maggie & Rebecca & thank

Maggie very much for the clothes
she washes for me. I will send her
a post card some day.

Your loving son
Heigh.

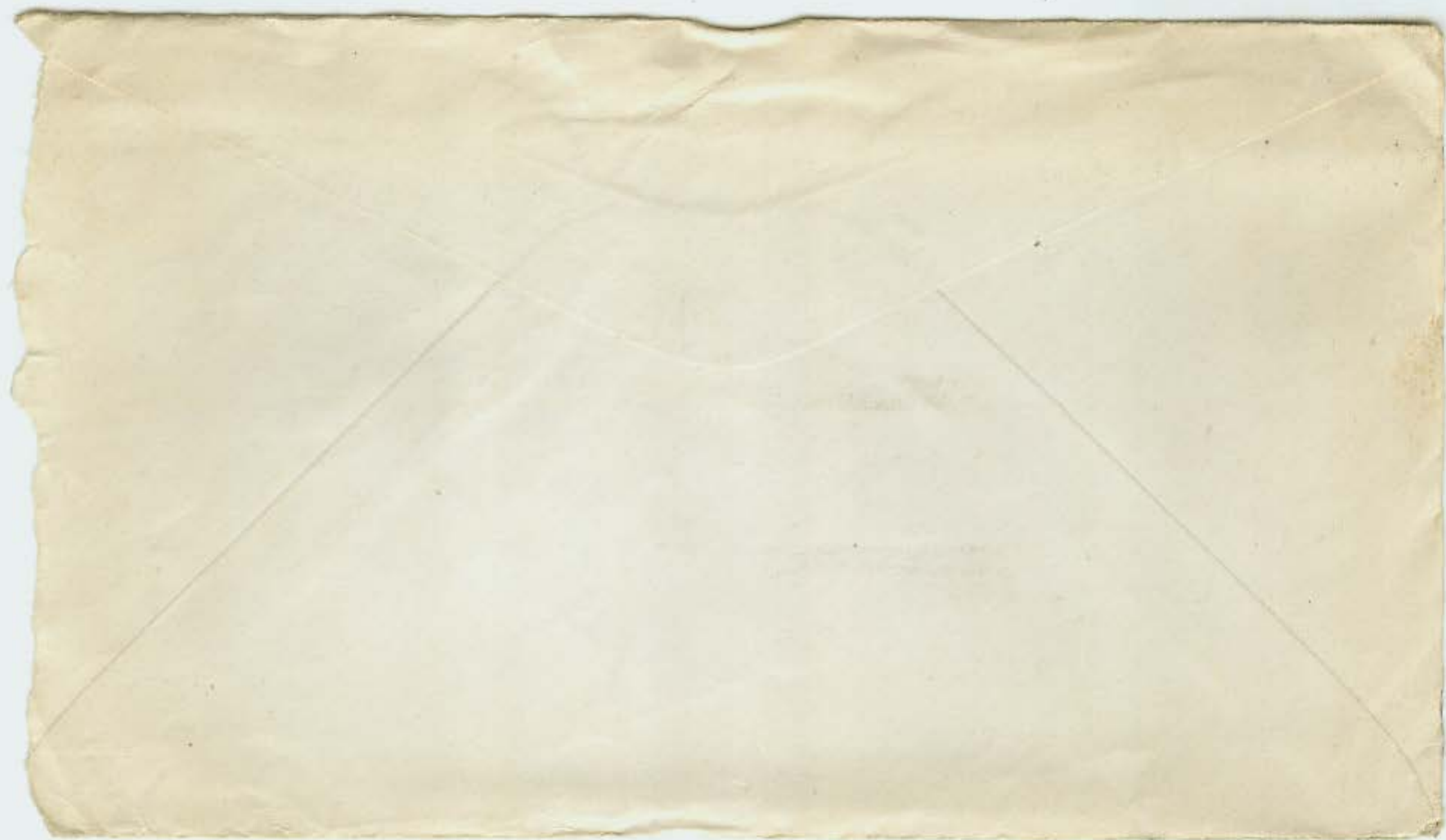
Remember that the Machine
Gun Corps is the Corps d'Elite
of the American Army and don't
let anyone forget it.



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Judge Henry C. Quigley
Belleville
Penn.





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Camp Hancock, Ga.
June 24, 1918

Dear Dad:-

It is now 7.15 P.M. & we seem to be off for the day, but we put in quite a day while it lasted.

The last time I wrote was Saturday evening and I hadn't been off the company street except to hunt for food or do something in the line of business.

On Sunday Laff, Moffatt, & I went to Augusta & had two little meals. But that town doesn't afford much amusement on Sunday & it isn't much of a place anyway. In the PM we rode to Aiken, S.C., a quite famous winter resort, but it was deadlier than Augusta. We were invited into the Suffrage headquarters & had ice tea & cake & then went back to Augusta and had supper. We got

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back to camp in time to take a bath
& go to bed. Moffatt is the Williams
man who went to Camp Lewis, Wash.,
& enlisted in Major Gimperling's
M.G. Co. He was sent here to this school
after attending the O.T.C. there since
May 15.

This is going to be some camp when
everyone arrives. There will be 1800 in
the C.O.T.S. and 70,000 machine gunners,
for the American Machine Gun Corps,
which will be some corps - the
corps d'elite - as Col. Appleton called
it. They are concentrating all the
M.G.s of the country here, and if they
could have picked out a better
place, I would like to see it.

This morning we carried out
part of the schedule by going to the
bayonet bowl & having some discipline
taught us by a bunch of English
drill s'gts and some officers. That
bowl is up on a little hill & is
about 300 yds wide and $\frac{1}{4}$ mile
long cut in the clay & sand like
the Yale bowl. No more perfect



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men was ever made. We got thru with that & forming the company by 10.30 & then we started to pitch tents & move our things from the old place to our new company street. They have student officers here like they did at Queens. & I am Captain but it is not bad because the 1st Sgt does all the work. We have exactly 12 officers assigned to this company, mostly 2nd lieuts, but I don't suppose they will all stay unless they are learning also.

I am in the first tent. There are only six or seven in a tent and when they formed squads they did not include student officers & sqts, so we had to find places. I hopped into the 1st tent with

six pretty nice fellows, better than
the 1st squad at Devens, I think.
There are some wonders here, about
the best type of rough men I ever
saw - cowboys, old soldiers, everything.
But this is an awful come down
for camp Devens. That was a big,
efficient, absolutely sanitary,
convenient, homelike camp with
all the men in 2 story barracks.
This is nothing but a national guard
camp, waste water running away
in ditches and everyone in tents,
but it won't be bad after everything
gets running smoothly. This school
is situated in the 1st Pa. Cav. mess hall &
tents in a grove of pine trees and
it is supposed to be the best location
in camp, and it seems to be from
the appearance of the rest of the camp.

Well, let me hear from all of you
as often as you have time to write
and lots of love to the whole family.

Your loving son,
Hugh.



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Judge Henry C. Quigley
Belleville
Penn.

7.45 P.M.

I am writing this to show you
that it can be done in the
brightest light. The moon
is so bright that it
hurts your eyes
to look at it
H.M.R.

From
Candidate H.M. Dingler
5th Co. C.O.T.S.
M.G.T.C.
Camp Hancock
Ga.

I scratched a match on Pete Delal's name written
on the side of a mess hall labeled 1st Pa Cav. Troop L.
There are tents here marked TROOP L too.
It is queer that we should have
come in just where they left.



Camp Hancock, Ga.
June 22, 1918

Dear Dad:-

At last!! Three officers showed
up for our ~~country~~ company this noon
and I never was so much pleased
with any one event. I have had an
awful time since we arrived. Imagine
being dumped off in strange desert
in charge of 131 men, all between
the ages of 21 and 34, and mostly veterans,
with not a friend in the world. Yesterday
I had to attend an officers' meeting
of all company commanders. That
included 5 officers + me. We were told
that we must provide our own messes
+ run our companies from then on +
they told me to run my company as if
I were a commissioned captain. Of
course that made me feel fine (H).
But I started in and appointed a
1st sgt., mess sgt., supply sgt. & detailed

12 men for kitchen police. We didn't have any food or cooks or anything so I sent a requisition for that stuff to the Q.M. supply depot but it didn't arrive, although promised, and in the meantime the Camp Lewis, Wash. contingent were marched in & occupied our ~~barracks~~ mess hall with all their baggage. Then I went & complained to Major Montague & he ordered another company to feed mine till cooks etc arrived. They haven't come yet but with the officers in charge I don't have to tear myself to pieces about it. That is a sample of what I was up against.

Lt Lieut. Jones is in command now & there are two 2nd Lieuts also assigned to the Co. Jones & one of the 2nds just arrived from France where they have fought all winter in m.g. cos in the trenches. The other 2nd (Lieut Thompson) just graduated from the M.C. school at Fort Sill. They are all fine officers - much better than any I have seen here yet, but that



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is nothing in their favor. The 2nd Lieut who came from France has a service stripe + a wounded stripe. He is a U.S., the others are U.S.R.

We did something here for a change this A.M. We went to the Liberty Theatre + heard Col. Appleton of the British Army speak on disciplining + his personal experiences which brought out the points he was making, and it was one of the most wonderful talks I ever heard. One thing he emphasized, and not to cause us to work or hid us along, was that upon the American Machine Gun Corps depends victory or defeat and that we will be the first officers trained for that corps. It is like a division of U.S. along, and it

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following the new British idea of keeping the M.G.s separate & under one commander. That Colonel was wonderful & it is almost worth being here to have heard him, that is saying a lot. There are a lot of French & English M.G. officers here who will supervise our training.

Maybe the school will end the middle of August, but if I knew that definitely I would get a war cross, being the only man in camp who knows anything about anything.

Our Co is late starting but we are lucky in officers, but they just arrived in the U.S.A. & it will take them some time to catch on. They have a better idea of what we are to do right now than any of the officers who have been here a month.

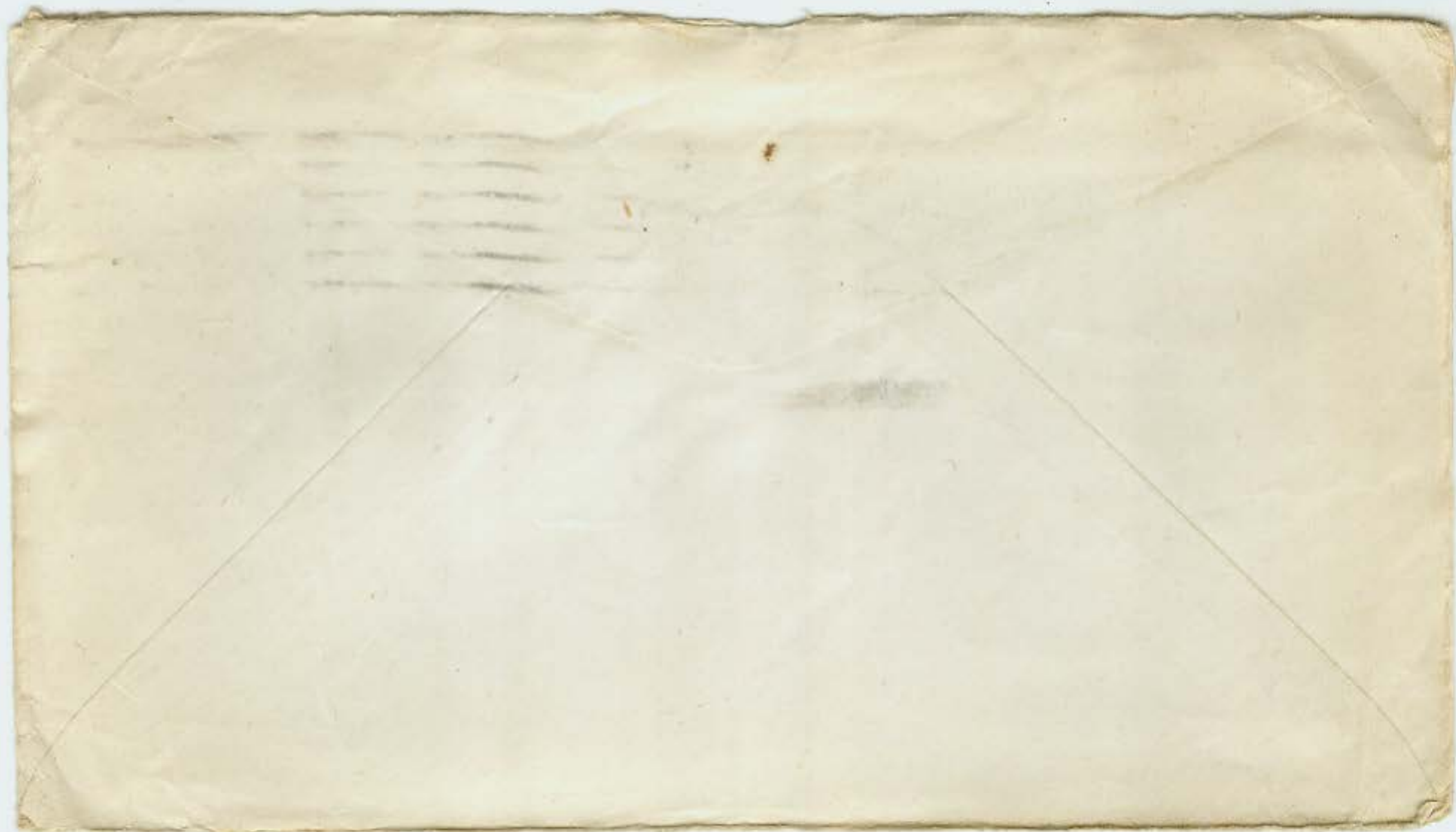
I sent some laundry home. Did Mother ever get a shirt I sent from Stevens - an army shirt? I sent another today & now I only have two ^{here}. Lots of love to all the family
Your loving son, Hugh



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Judge Henry C. Quigley
Belleville
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Camp Hancock, Ga.
June 21, 1918

Dear Dad:-

No officers have shown up yet so I am still C.C. of the 5th Co. Major Montague, the Adjutant remarked that I was the youngest captain he had ever heard of when I told him my age. He is awfully nice about helping me out of difficulties. He busted into a storehouse & got cots for my Co. last night & has been very nice in general.

The letter I wrote to mother was mailed about 2 hours ago. It is now 11 A.M. Will you tell her to send laundry as usual to my new address or let me know whenever she wishes to discontinue that system. It is fine for me, but I don't want to cause her any trouble.

I just wrote to Chortling

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Charley & he will be no doubt
be surprised to hear from me
from this place. That leads
up to the financial question
because I would like to see
him some time, and I have
just 61¢. All my money has
gone for extra food on the way,
& the Lowell party, to say nothing
of \$4.00 in Groton. And the trunk
cost \$7.50. If you could send
me a small bill it would be
immensely appreciated, but don't do
it unless you feel pretty well off.
This army pay is all right if you
don't have any place to go or anything
to do but sit in a tent.

When we do get started, discipline
won't be so strong here as at Levens, &
the work won't be as hard, I think.
There is a detail here from every cantonment
which has an O.T.C. in the U.S. including American
Lake, Ariz, Camp Juniper, Meade, Levens, etc.
Lots of love to the family, Hugh.

Candidate Hugh M. Quigley

5th Co. C.O.T.S., M.G.T.C.

Camp Hancock, Ga.



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Mrs. H.C. Inigley
Bellevue
Penn.





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Write often for
this is the kind of place
where letters will come

Camp Hancock Ga
June 21, 1918

Dear Mother:-

We arrived here at 11 A.M. yesterday and have been doing nothing ever since. It seems that they started this camp about a week before they were ready. The two officers who brought us down have gone back, and I am in charge of and responsible for the 131 men from Camp Devens. It is an awful job, because no officers have shown up for our company & everything is in confusion in the adjutant's office. We have only 12 tents for the company, no lights and only 106 cots, and the food is awful so far. Camp Devens was heaven compared to this, but it will get straightened out in time.

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Yesterday as we were marching up from the station a car passed us in which were Wilbur Decker and another boy from Bellfonte. I couldn't stop & speak to them, however. The showers that we use are labelled 1st. Pa. Cav. Troop L, K, M, etc., so the troops must have been here at one time.

There is not one feature of the camp which can even approach Camp Brown, and for that reason I am sorry I came, but the work will be fine when we get started and things will get better when all the officers are here and the school is running smoothly. I have my headquarters in the mess hall & sleep here too. A lot of men slept on the ground last night.

My address is

(The C's Candidate Hugh M. Quigley
for Central & 5th Co. C.O.T.S., M.G.T.C.
Center respectively.) Camp Hancock.

I will write Ga.

again soon & let you know anything that happens. Lots of love to all the family,
Your loving son, Hugh.



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RICHMOND, VA.
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THE AMERICAN CROSS
RICHMOND, VA. CHAPTER
CANTEEN COMMITTEE



Mrs. Henry C. Drigley
Bellevue
Penn.



Wednesday,
11.30 AM.

Dear Mother:

at this moment we are stopped at some camp just south of Washington. Now we are started again & expect to stop for lunch at Richmond. I may as well tell you everything in order from the time I left Lowell Monday night. Saff and I took a jitney & slept in barracks. The next morning we got up for reveille. But had nothing to do till 11.A.M. when Capt. Hunter informed me that I would act as 1st sgt in charge of the detail (35 men) from our company, and then all the officers left & I was in complete charge. I marched them down to the adjts office & reported. There I was told that I would be 1st sgt. of the detail from all 4 companies on the trip south. Three mess sgts + 16 corporals were also appointed, so I am the highest NCO in the outfit till we reach Hancock. Captain Fassell & Lieut Rumpf are in command of the train & I have to be near them most of the time. It means quite a little work which is more than offset by the honor of the job. There are 135 men on the train. We leftayer at 12.50 Tuesday & stopped off at Springfield for an hour at 5.30. There we got some antiquated sleepers & stopped again at New Haven for 1 hour. At both places the Red Cross branch served us with sandwiches & coffee. I didn't get to bed till one, because we had to see that everyone was on the train & it took an hour or more. At New Haven we

were hooked onto the Federal Express & arrived
in Wash this P.M. at nine, where the
Red Cross again passed out food. They
have been wonderful to us all the way
down.

We have done nothing but pass troops
trains this P.M., thousands of men, from
Alabama, Texas, & Georgia, going north
to Hoboken, & they haven't got sleepers
either, only old day coaches.

An airplane just passed the train
& made us feel as though we were
standing still.

Capt. Russell is a wonder, but not
very strict. I found out that he graduated
from Waus in 1912. That isn't how I got
my job however. I think Capt. Hunter
gave me a good word.

We sleep 3 in two berths & I took
one with two little nits. They sleep below
& I have the upper to myself. These
cars probably carried men in the Civil
war, by the looks of them, but no more
very lucky to get them at last.

We have some food on the train
but the Capt always telegraphs
ahead to the Red Cross & we get some
hot coffee, etc. in addition to our
regular mess. They all treat us as
though we were on our way to the
front. I will write more later. Lots
of love to all the family, Hugh.



Judge H. C. Dingler
Belleville
Penn.



I started this letter
Saturday morning, I
believe, and here it is
Monday at 6.00 and I
have been doing something
all the intervening time.

Saturday we played 9
holes of the worst golf
I ever heard of with two
Harvard boys, and in
the afternoon we took
three girls on a picnic
and afterwards to the
Lakeview Park where
we danced and rode

Lowell, Mass.
June 16, 1918

Dear Dad:-

The morning after
I wrote that last letter
to Mother just before
the company was dismissed
for lunch Captain Hunter
announced that all
machine gunners could
get passes from Friday
noon till Tuesday at
Reveille and that they
must turn in all their
equipment except uniform
& mess kit immediately.

That all means that we leave some time on Sunday, and they are sure to give us at least 5 minutes notice. We won't even know whether we can take a trunk or not till Monday night.

I came down here Friday afternoon with Saff & am having a wonderful time. It's too bad Bellefonte isn't near enough to Ayer for me to go home, but I figured it out that if I did I

would be home from Sunday morning till Sunday night & that is hardly worth while, even though we get 1¢ a mile rate on all railroads. Colonel Crofts ~~told~~^{tells} us "all furlough fare certificates which are not allowed to be issued to anyone except just before they leave to embark. That sounds pretty queer but they said we were going to get I am pretty sure we will land there all right. Those certificates entitle us to the 1¢ fare.

Mr. Safford gave us a
letter of introduction to
some big man in the U.S.
Cartridge Company
requesting him to show
us the machine guns
they use there testing
shells. After about a
half hour's identifying
and showing passes
etc., we got a pass to
go into the place and
the sent us out to the
cartridge testing house
where they try out shells

in the roller-coaster and
had a general fine
time, arriving home
about 12.30

On Sunday we
missed church, only
finishing breakfast at
12.45 and took a
beautiful ride through
Andover which is
a wonderful little town.
We went to church in
the evening and took
our two friends for
a ride afterward. One

is Mary Holden, who
lives here, and the other
is Sarah Doe from
Asheville, N.C. They are
both fine. We took
them to the movies &
for another ride this
afternoon, and have
a wild plan as for
tomorrow morning, which
is being frowned on
from all sides &
probably will not
materialize. It was
originated by Mary &

she overruled all
suggestions to the contrary.
We are to start from
Lowell at 3.30 & arrive
at Devers before Newell
tomorrow. It probably
won't occur, as Mrs.
Safford is all against
it, but the girls seem
to have nothing to
prevent them from going.

The most interesting
morning I ever put in
was this morning, when

on the other side. Just
last month two German
m.g.s killed 12,000
British in 5 minutes, or
rather killed or wounded
them, put them out of any
rate, & I now can see
how it is possible.

By the time you
get this we will be
between N.Y. & Ga
somewhere, as they
will probably send us
pretty quick tomorrow.

in various m.g.s. I
myself shot about 750
shots out of all the guns
they have there and they
have quite an assortment,
the newest heavy Browning,
the Lewis automatic rifle,
the light Browning, the
light British Vickers, the
Marlin aircraft gun, some
French m.g. and last
of all a little double
barrelled Italian m.g.
which shoots 2600 shots
a minute. I shot 100 out of

it before I could get my fingers off of the buttons. I shot 250 out of the new Browning, and that is some gun. Harry, the mechanic, took down the Lewis, the Marlin, & the Browning, for us. All we got was a general idea & quite deaf.

We saw about 15 different kinds of guns while we were there but didn't shoot

them all. Imagine that Italian gun, 2600 a minute, that is $60 \times 2600 = 43$ per second. Of course if you only release one barrel it only shoots 1300 shots a minute. The gun is here to test the ammunition that the U.S.C.C. is making for Italy.

They gave us each a chance to shoot the good ones, and it is wonderful sport, but I would hate to be

weapon as I have seen
so far, and I am
very glad I am
destined for that kind
of work.

Lots of love to you
and Mother, your
loving son,

Hugh.

Also give my love to
the sisters and to
Maggie & Rebecca.
Can imagine Maggie's
exclamations at hearing
I was going 1000 miles south.
Hugh.

The 76th Division is
also just about to
move.

Another interruption -
for supper - and now I
will finish pretty
quickly as I imagine
we will be on the way
back to camp pretty soon.
The trip tomorrow
morning is all off. One
of the girls couldn't
go; that is only natural,
as girls usually are
the most enthusiastic

about the most impossible things. We will go back in the Safford's car or on the train, I imagine. They have been wonderful about keeping me here and I have had a fine time.

I will write to you again from the train or at least as soon as I arrive.

It seems funny

to be going to the camp we have heard so much about at home from the troops.

I have an idea that we stand a better chance of getting to France from Hancock than we had at Sevens.

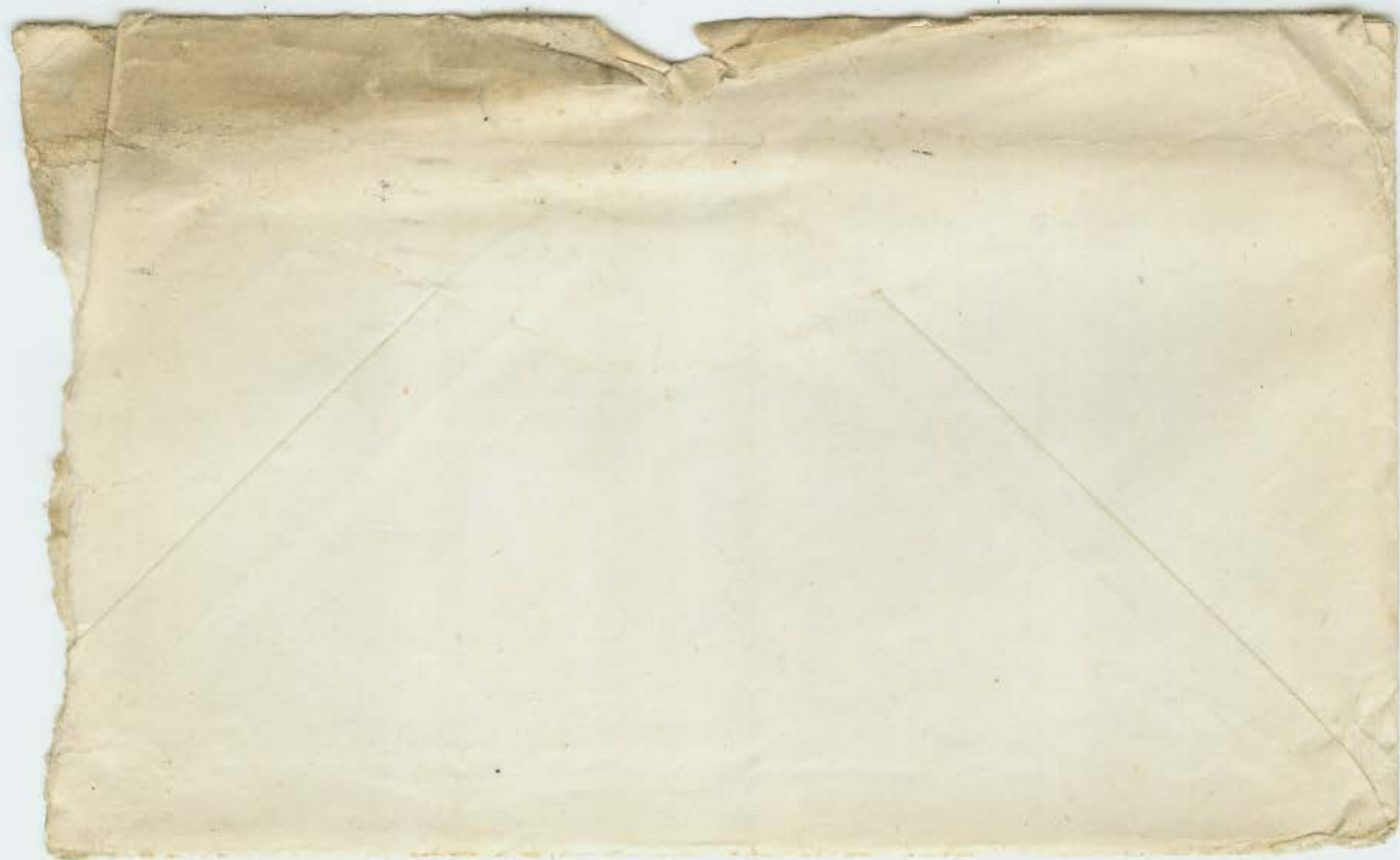
I hope so, anyway. Whatever happens, a machine gun is about as interesting a



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Mrs. Henry C. Dingley
Belleville
Penn.



Camp Devens, Mass.
June 13, 1918

Dear Mother:-

Good night!!! I wish I could see the expression of surprise on your face when you read this. Three days ago I signified my intention or desire to join the Machine Gun Company of the O.T.C. to be established next week. Tonight Captain Hunter read the names accepted, including mine, and stated that those men would leave Devens in time to reach Camp Hancock, Ga., by June 20! You can't beat that, unless you cheat, can you? The M.G.s are very interesting & a wonderful branch, but we expected to be here in a separate barracks, and that was the original plan of the authorities in organizing the new Company, but it seems that Hancock is a better place in their eyes for a school & they have a lot of good instructors there - so there we go. You never can tell what will happen next in the Army, but I am not worried at all. In fact I enjoy moving around & doing new things.

This is the first time that I have known definitely that I was accepted or I would have let you know sooner. When they announced the opportunity of going to the M.G. school, I went over to the 304th M.G. Bn. and talked to an officer, who told me enough to prove to myself that I wasn't making a mistake. I don't know who he was, but he was very nice about explaining the work to me.

I will be damn sorry to leave this place

and especially the officers of the 3rd Co. But
three Williams men that I know very well are going
too, so I won't be alone. Truman Safford, Doc. Waycott,
and De Bergen, from the 2nd, 1st, & 4th, Companies
respectively, are on the list and some very good men
from this company that I have gotten to know like
pretty well, like Bill Thoden of the 1st Squad who has
been in the army 9 years. He was a 1st Sgt before he
came here to "school".

We were paid on Monday & I drew \$26.96
somehow or other. They figured the R.R. fare by
air line, I guess. The pay itself was \$16.50
for half a month (16 1/2 days). I ordered a locker
trunk which ought to be here soon and I am
glad I did now that we take the long trip
south. It really pleases me very much, although
this is a wonderful camp and all the officers
are fine. It may be awfully hot down there
but it can't be much hotter than this place.
There is absolutely nothing but sand here
and it is some dusty when it isn't raining.
I will be able to at least get in touch
with Ellis & Scotty and perhaps see them
some time.

I hope you don't object to this new
turn of affairs for me, because no matter
whether you did or not, I will arrive in
Augusta on the 20th. M.G. work is fine, and

don't worry about the "suicide" end of it, because M.E.s are used mainly in the support trenches now, and anyway nothing is safe in France.

Captain Hunter said if any man had any awfully important reasons why he didn't want to go, maybe the War Dept could be persuaded in the course of time, but the list has gone in & the War Dept itself issued the order assigning us to Hancock.

Don't send me any more stuff here as we will leave Monday probably in order to arrive there next Thursday. Of course I will let you know as soon as I arrive & you will probably hear from me sooner.

I am going to spend my last northern week end in Lowell & I can't imagine a more comfortable or homelike place except Bellefonte, Penn. Truman claims that I am a very easy guest to handle & desirable in the family and it is fine all around.

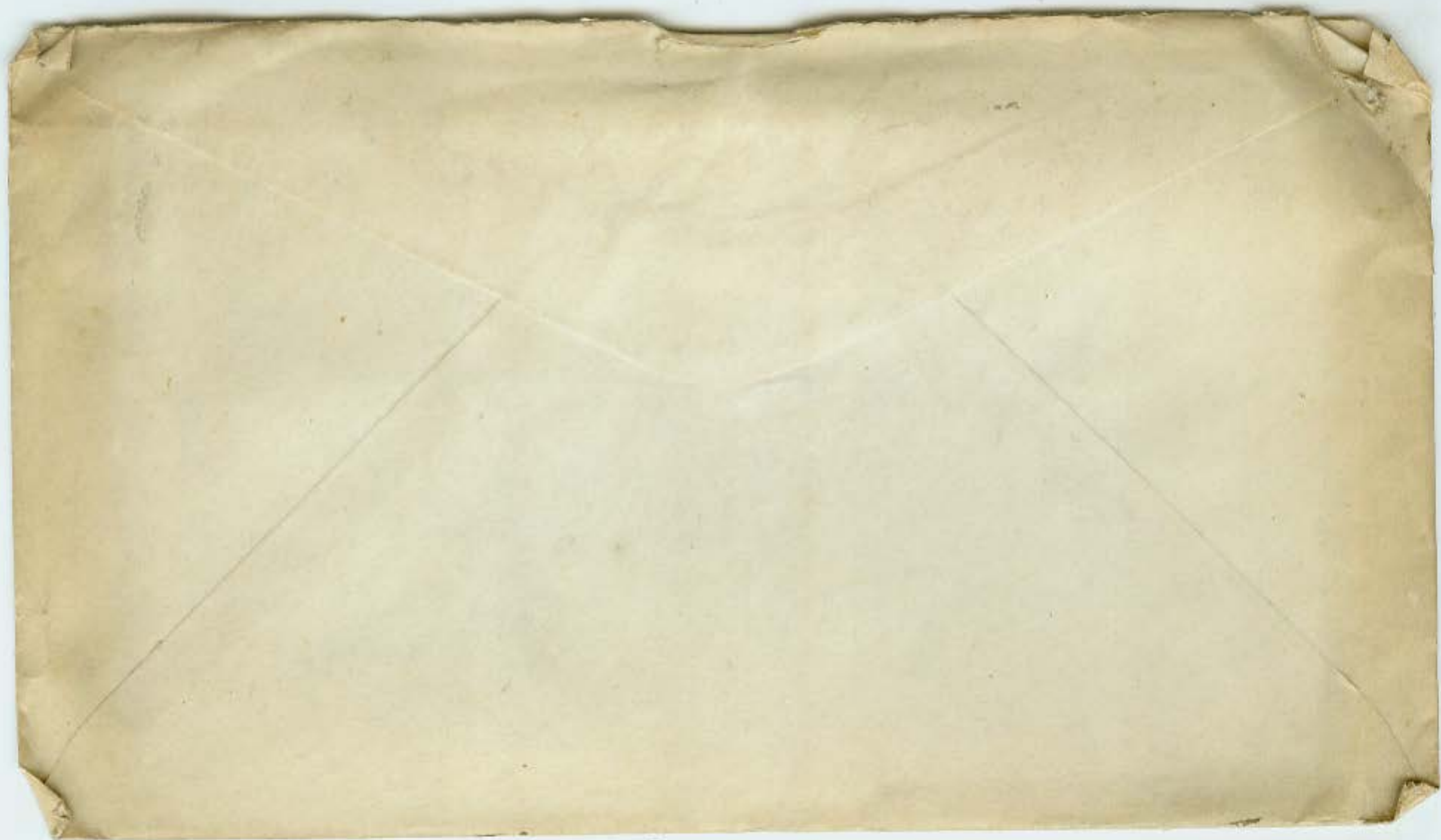
The 3rd Co. men in the M.E. detachment are above the general average of the company & we will have a pretty fair trip south. It would be impossible for me to see you before I go, of course, because of the suddenness of the order, but Hancock isn't much farther from Rife than Ayer. You will hear from me soon again. Lots of love to you both from your loving son, Hugh.

Hotel Debens

AYER, MASSACHUSETTS



Mrs. Henry C. Quigley
Bellevue
Penn.



Your last letter mailed at 9 AM got to me
the next day at 5 P.M. Pretty quick work.

Hotel Devens

AYER, MASSACHUSETTS

Sat. June 8, 1915

Dear Mother :-

I was very glad to get your
letter & the ten dollars. It was
very nice of you to send it & I paid
all my debts with it. We haven't
been paid yet, but expect it soon,
probably Monday. I sent you some
more laundry today. Don't hurry
about sending it right back. A week
will be all right & those two
pairs of tennis socks will do me
no good as they are too rough
to wear. Socks are the most
important part of the uniform &
they must be wool & soft & seamless.
I would love to have a few pairs
of heavy wool socks for hikes,
about twice as heavy as those
army socks I have at home - those
unbleached ones that I sent last
time. The light ones are fine for
ordinary work but when we
march all day in field shoes, thick
ones are better.

Ken Stearns & I are here for an hour or so writing & expect to go to Groton pretty soon. His aunt & uncle are there & will set us up to a few meals & a bed.

The bike we took last Friday was $15\frac{1}{4}$ miles & the one on Monday was $14\frac{1}{2}$ so you can see that we don't start in with any soft jobs.

I bought a service pin for Mary at the canteen for 50¢. It is too large & not very elegant but I hope she will understand the good intentions, anyway.

I just weighed myself & "tipped the beam" at 187 with my uniform on, & the scales didn't exaggerate because Ken only weighed 150 & that is underweight for him. You won't know me if I show up in September with about 195 lbs on me, but that is hardly possible, because the heat won't permit it, & we had mostly indoor work last week, & account of the rain. We don't always stay in

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AYER, MASSACHUSETTS

when it rains, for yesterday we drilled 2 hours in a hard storm. They alter the schedule to suit the weather.

A Committee of three was appointed by Captain Hunter consisting of Goodski, Sheffield & Snigley, to represent the Company in conferences with Captain Hunter.

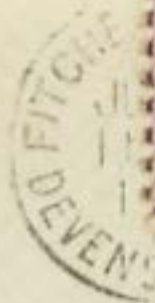
It is meant to act as intermediary between the Officers & men. That is all I know about it except that we are supposed to present the suggestions & complaints of the men to the Captain. I don't know why he picked on me, but it doesn't mean much, because no partiality is ever shown here. It was probably done by lot.

Our officers are fine, especially Capt. Hunter & Lieut Hill - the old Regular Army sergeant, but it is impossible to ever

talk to them personally because every word they say is on business & Business only.

Mary sent me an invitation marked "no flowers". I had thought of taking a few cuts & marching down to Summit with an armful of roses. (?) It is hard to realize that you cannot do as you like here. at college if you were sleepy, you didn't get up for chapel & perhaps a first class but here you have one foot in place on the line at 5.30 every morning or get a demerit & if you take a vacation you make up for it in the guard-house. Each week-end is free & free except that the military police are continually examining your passes to see that you are not riding on a trolley with only a motor pass etc. I must stop now & go to Proton.

Your loving son,
Hugh.



Judge Henry C. Dingley
Belleville
Penn.



were all given by bugle.
after that was over we were
sitting in the Post Exchange
when Herb Allan (Pvt Upson 1919
Williams) came in & suggested
a ride to Boston. I objected &
so did Ken on financial grounds
but Doug came to the rescue
so we got a jitney & set out
about 11.30 arriving in Boston
at 1.20 P.M. We went to see
"High & Dry" a mediocre show,
& had a fine dinner &
came back just squeezing
into barracks about 9.29 P.M.
It was a nice trip.

On Friday we had an

Camp Devens, Mass.
Sunday, June 2, 1918.

Dear Dad:-

I was very glad to get
your letter the other day, and
tell Mother that I just got
the underwear. It is now
seven-thirty and I just stepped
out of the Laffords' Buick
at the entrance of our
barracks. Truman had a
fellow named Smith from his
company & me at his house
this weekend. Their car
has been fixed so we got
a free ride back, in fact
the whole trip was free for

me till I get some money. I became very much broke - to the extent of \$4.50 on Thursday, when Doug Myers, Ken Stearns, Herb Allan, all Williams men, & I went to Boston. Our officers claimed that last week was a very hard one but if that is true I am much encouraged because I have worked many times harder than that before at Plattsburg & Winstown.

I will send you the schedules for the first two weeks & Bill Horne's

letter if I can remember it till I get upstairs.

Thursday being Memorial day we had a holiday & I got a pass to Boston just for luck & because it would be foolish not to ask for one. It was good from Revere till taps but I didn't expect to use it as I only had \$5.00 & it costs \$4.00 to go to B & return. Doug, Ken, & I went down to a drill field & saw the entire 76th Div parade before Maj. Gen. Hodges. It was a wonderful sight - men everywhere as far as one could see. The commands

weeks furlough in September
but no one knows definitely
of course. We never do
till the last moment.

We got sad news
the other day when Gen.
Hodges issued an order
that the 4th O.T.C. was
therewith detached from the
76th Div. & would stay here
till the end of the course.

It was the only sensible
thing to do, but I was
hoping that we might
go to France with the
division, which is all ready

all day. Iike & carried 3
sandwiches & a banana by way
of a "cooked meal". We got back
about 2.00 PM, after marching
about 13 miles (that is the smallest
estimate of the distance & it is true.
Some said 18) with full packs &
rifles. & had two hours study,
~~then an exam~~ in the evening.
Saturday we had our
last inoculation & my
third unsuccessful vaccination.

We went to Lowell in a
trolley & Saff lent me the
money. I would have asked
you for some money but we

will be paid this week I guess,
& I think I can live till
then. The officers encourage
our eating milk & sweet stuff
at the canteen after our work
is over because we don't get
any sugar in the mess except
what is in the canned milk.
Captain Hunter also told
us to take advantage of all
the passes we could get &
go somewhere & just sleep
& eat. It certainly does
rejuvenate me to get
about eleven hours sleep
over Sunday. We have
another all day hike

tomorrow & this time we
have to carry a meal, &
cook it ourselves. It will
consist of steak, onion &
1 potato & water.

The 4th of July comes
on Thursday & the chances
are that we will have
from Wednesday noon till
Sunday night off, so think
it over. It won't be
definitely known till
about the second of July.
You might want to come
up here then, but we
will probably have 2

If I get my laundry back
in a week it will be all
right, but if it is too much
trouble for Mother, I can
have it done here. Ask
her to send me one white
shirt - one of the good ones,
15½ collar - when she
sends the next laundry
back, because it is
awfully hot travelling
in a wool one. I may need
more later but one will
do for this week.

Lots of love to you both
& any relatives that may
be there now. Your loving
son, Hugh.

to move now. We will be
able to work without
interruption here, but it
would be much better over
there where the big things
are going on.

Don't get the impression
that all we do here is to
go on pass, because we
work harder than anyone
in the U.S. Armies except
the men actually in the
trenches. It is some job
to sit down & study &
recite or have an exam

in the evening after eight hours of the hardest kind of work, - drilling at attention, or hiking.

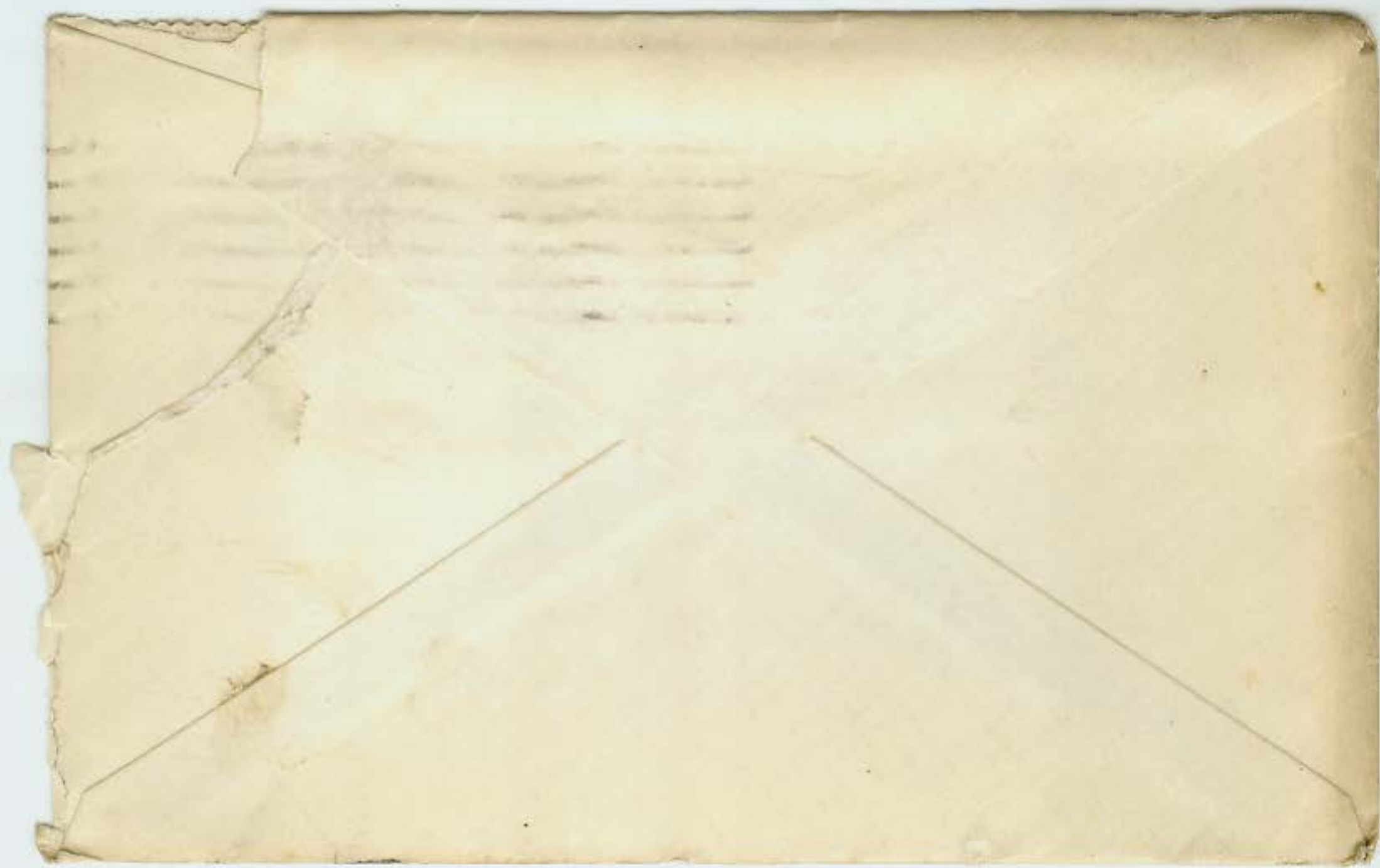
On Saturday we went swimming with a couple of nice girls outside of Lowell & it was wonderful. The Safford family is fine and awfully nice to everyone. Tell Mother that ~~on the~~ near Lowell there are ~~five~~ six little towns called Chelmsford, Chelmsford Center, North Ch., South Ch., East Ch., & West Ch.

That is a fact. They are all tiny places.

The War news these days is awful & it seems as though the Germans couldn't be stopped except by lack of men. That is one reason why they are hurrying the 176th Div. It is full & ready now & besides that there are thousands of new drafted men in tents around the camp. They will form a new division as soon as this one leaves, I suppose.



Mrs. H.C. Dingley
Belleville
Penn.



May 28, 1918

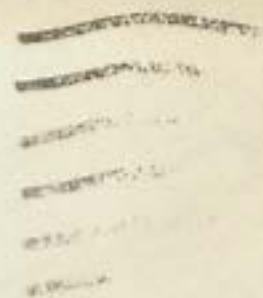
Dear Mother:-

I intend to write to Grandfather as soon as I have time, probably tomorrow.

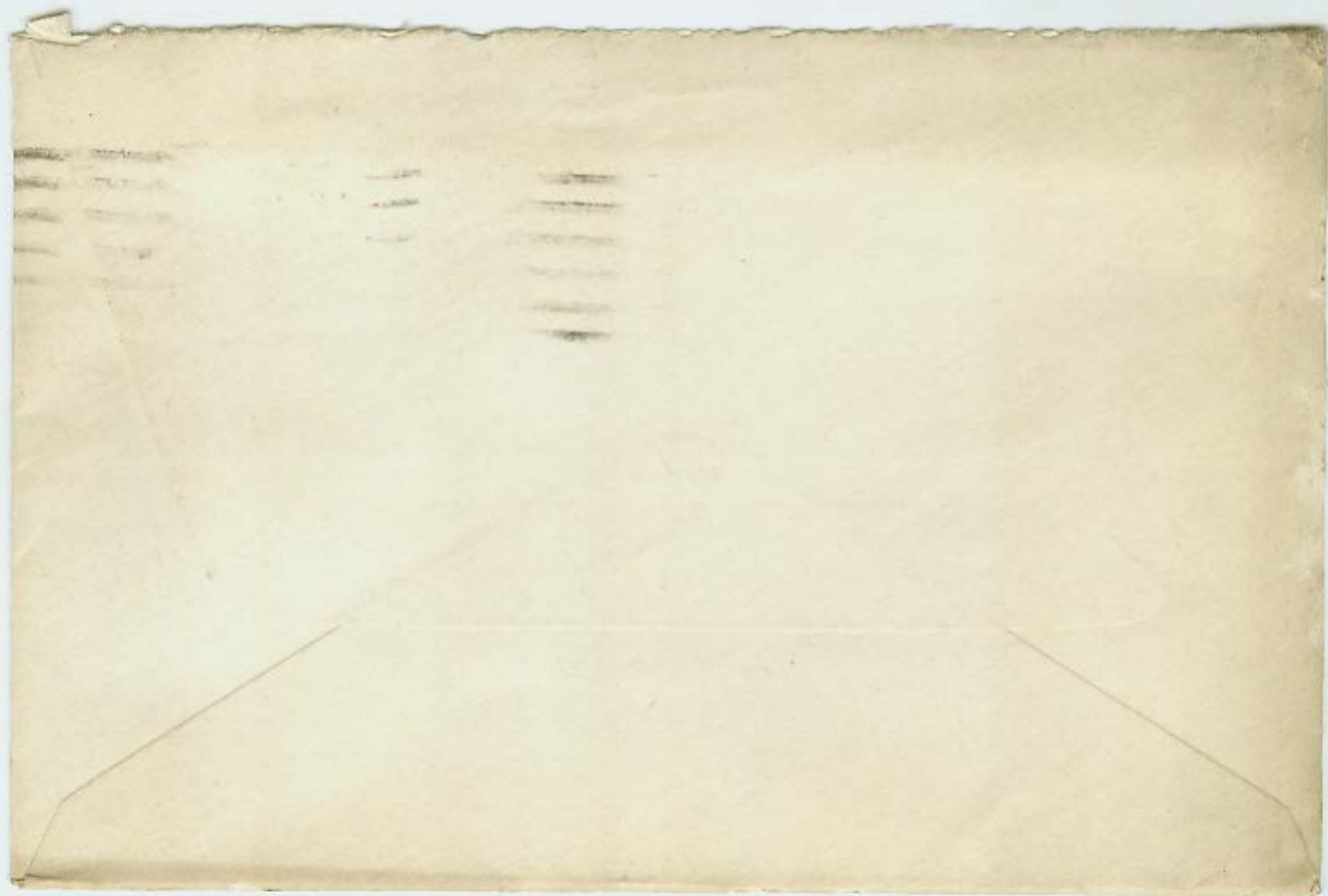
This is to tell you that I am sending my laundry home if it suits you. We get paper & string at the YMCA & it is much easier for me to send it than to have it done here. It cost 89¢ for 1 underwear, 1 sock & 25 handkerchiefs. Mary Stuart could do it for much less, couldn't she? If it doesn't suit you let me know & please send me about three more suits of underwear. I

have some in my bureau I think.
The sooner the stuff comes back
the better & let me know if you
want me to send it a regular
days once a week. It ought ~~not~~
to be more than 2 days in rifle
& 2 on the way.

I was Company Commander
this morning & got away
fairly well but not too.
Lots of love to you both,
Hugh.



Mrs. Henry C. Quigley
Belleville
Penn.



death. It certainly will
be hard on Grandfather and
Katharine. Please express
my sympathy to them.

We certainly had a
strenuous week's work
and deserve this rest
but I must be in good
condition, because I wasn't
bothered at all while
a lot of the fellows were
pretty tired out. My knees
gave me a little trouble.
They both became a little
weak on Friday but a
rest will fix them all

Lowell, Mass.
May 26, 1918

Dear Mother:-

Long Meyers and I
came down here with
Iruman Safford for the
week end. We got passes
from Saturday noon till
tonight at taps. Captain
Hunter advised everyone
to use his pass if possible
and it certainly is worth
while, because we got
eleven hours sleep in
wonderful beds last night.
Long is a Williams Delta
Psi 1917 in the 3rd Company.
Saff is in the 2nd.

The section of Lowell where the Saffords live is beautiful but most of the city is occupied by cloth mills and workmen.

We couldn't leave camp till about four yesterday afternoon on account of the second inoculation.

We stood in line for two & a half hours before we could get in. We

still have another to come next Saturday, but yesterday's was the worst, being twice

as large as the first. They give no typhoid & paratyphoid in the same jab and I had to be vaccinated again because the first didn't take.

We came to Lowell in a jitney for \$1.00 but we may get a free ride back. The Safford's cars are being painted or something.

Let me know when you get the insurance certificate.

I was awfully sorry to hear of Aunt Martha's

weekday schedules when
I am through with them.
Don't expect a letter
oftener than once a
week, but I will write
whenever I get a chance,
& you may be sure that I
will be more than glad to
hear from you & anyone
else you want tell my
address to. Catherine
Allison owes me a letter. If
you see her tell her my
address.

Lots of love to you & Dad,
Hugh.

right. Just to show you that
I am not weak I will tell
you about the push & pull
exercise we had Friday.
You hold the rifle at arm's
length & bring it back
against your shoulder in
a position to shoot. Our
squad, made up of six
drafted men & 2 college men,
all big men, had a
competition to see who
could keep up the exercise
longest, doing it in unison.
I was the last to stop, and
I wasn't forced to stop

but only to save strength
for the remaining work.

The Saffords are fine
people. There are three
brothers & one girl younger
than Truman in the family,
but Mrs. Safford loves to
have a large table &
she certainly can
provide for it.

The watch is fine, &
has been running well
ever since I got it. It
was awfully nice of you to
give it to me.

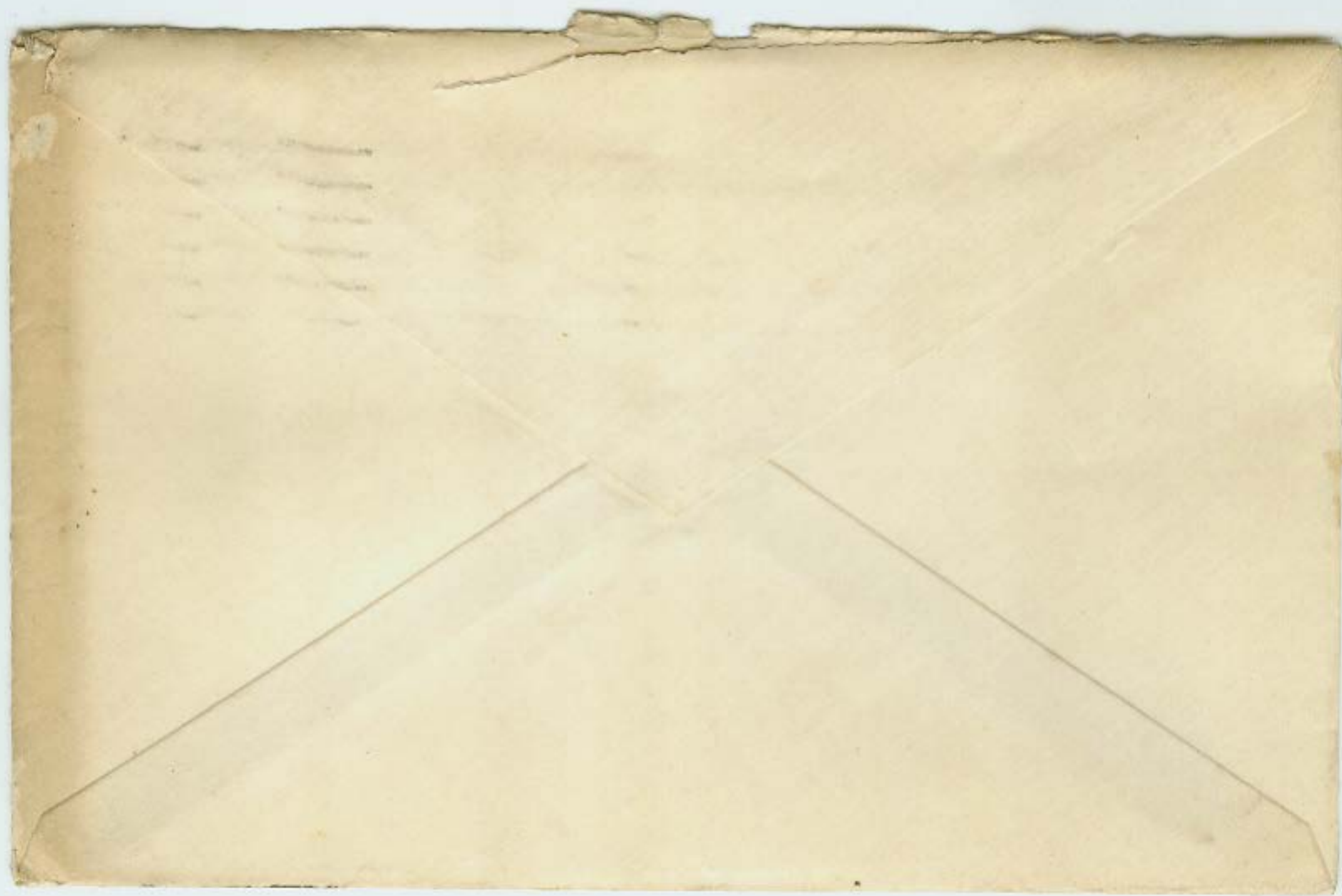
Everyone in the Company
takes turns being officers
& non-coms. I was corporal
last Wednesday & will be
captain on this Tuesday.

I will be glad of the chance
to prove something &
amfully thankful for
the R.O.T.C. work at
Williams. We had platoon
drill the other day & Lieut.
Hill gave me the platoon
for twenty minutes. I got
away with it pretty well,
I think.

I will send you the



Mrs. H.C. Dingley
Belleville
Penn.



Wed. May 22 1918

Dear Mother :-

In case you didn't get my second letter, I will tell you again that I enlisted in the Regular Army for the period of the war on May 16.

On Sunday evening I went over to the nurse's quarters at the Base Hospital & saw Mayorie Lyon. She is tired of the work & is going to leave, I think. It was very interesting to see her. Alta Joyce was not there that evening.

an exclamation point after
Dad or mother. Thus:-
Dear Mother!

For Heavens sake
or

Return those books for me.
It will only include the first
sentence which may or may
not mean anything in the
letter other than information
as to our destination.

Must stop now

Love to Dad.

Your loving son,
Hugh.

We have been working
awfully hard since Sunday
but it is interesting &
wonderful work. I wouldn't
be anywhere else for
any amount of money.

We may go to Italy.
They are filling up the
div. with trained men
from Upton. In case we
go I will let you know by
beginning the first word
with F, I, E, or R, for France,
Italy, England, or Russia. The
sign for that code will be



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Penn.



insurance payable to Dad. Is that all right? It costs me \$6.50 per month out of my \$30.00 pay. We do not get \$33.00 yet for some reason.

Can you imagine 250 Jimmy Matthews, Harry Hardings, Jim Tormans, etc. all laughing talking & yelling & playing base ball & football all at the same time on their company street? These colored companies are the funniest people I ever saw. All shades of black, white teeth, & the happiest individuals on earth. Their officers say they are fine soldiers but it is awfully hard to keep a straight face in front of a company of them.

Lots of love to Dad & you
Your loving son Hugh.

Candidate Hugh M. Quigley
3rd Co., 4th O.T. Camp.
Camp Devens, Mass. May 17, 1918

Dear Mother:

I was regularly enlisted in the "Regular Army for the period of the war" yesterday, May 16. All physical exams are over except the psychological exam, which comes this P.M., I guess. This is a wonderful place but the competition is frightful. Beginning Monday we will be worked to death - we had a touch of it this morning, but this P.M. we only had a psycho-actic exam & then an hour off. Next formation at 3.50

There is no fooling here. Last night they were "loosing

off a belt or two" down in the 303rd M.G. Bn and it sounded like business. Also they had heavy artillery target practice yesterday afternoon about 5 miles away but it was loud enough to hear in this barracks.

Lieut. Col. Craft is in charge of the O.T.C. & he is some man. He makes a speech now & then - bites off a few words and we have something to think about for a few hours.

Some Major read us a telegram from the Adj. Gen. this A.M. which shows you ~~what~~ that this is no picnic or "summer camp". It said that before the O.T.C. men are sworn in they

must be notified that in case the 76th Div. goes overseas, the O.T.C. will be discontinued & the men will act as enlisted men in the division until an O.T.C. camp can be formed in France. That is the nearest they will ever come to telling us we will none till we actually do get the final orders, so it would seem that our stay here will be indefinite & probably short. I, of course, accepted the above terms, & was sworn in this morning. We have been filling out papers & flanks since arrival & they are finished now. I took out \$10,000.00



Judge Henry C. Quigley
Bellevue
Penn.

final address.

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Candidate, Hugh W Dringley,
3rd Co., O.T. Camp,
Camp Dueno,
mass.

N.Y. the other day. "Oh, Lady, Lady!"
Took K Beaver to "fine time."

Captain Hunter is some efficient
officer! There are ^{also} 1 Lt Lt & 2 Inf
Lts. all Reserve, but on their
toes all the time.

I will have to stop & get
ready for drill or something. I don't

know whether I am enlisted yet.
We go whenever the 246th Division
goes & it has been here since
last fall. The next German drive
will probably necessitate our
going, but of course we will
have no notice before sailing.

Lots of love to you & mother,
your loving son, Hugh

Camp Devens, Mass
May 16 1918 7:30 A.M.

Dear Dad:-

This is wonderful! We arrived
here at 2.30 P.M. yesterday and
as we drove up from the station
about 6 miles in a bus we passed
whole battalions of artillery drilling
marching, as well as infantry
& cavalry. This is the Real Thing!
No tin soldier stuff about this
place. I am writing in the mess
shack. They gave us 45 minutes
off this A.M. Everything isn't in
working order yet, but soon we
will have the real work.

I was partially examined &
inoculated for typhoid & paratyphoid
and vaccinated for small pox.

There are 4 Inf Cos & 1 Art Btry in the O.T.C. attached to the depot brigade. In our company there are 20 drafted men (mostly former college men) to every college man.

The cots are packed in like sardines upstairs. ~~The~~ Major Joy congratulated us for being in the 3rd Company. He said our officers were the best in the O.T.C.

My address is

H.M. Smigley ~~O.T.C.~~

3rd Co. O.T.C.

Depot Brigade

Camp Devens, Mass.

That ~~will get me~~ but it may be different officially.

The men from Williams are scattered thru the 4 Cos & 1 btry.

I have yet to get my eyes & ears examined to be officially in. Equipment was issued last night: 2 pants, 1 blouse, 1 suit blue denim, 5 prs socks, 3 prs shoes, 2 shirts, 1 hat, leggins, 3 suits underwear, gloves, belt, hatcord, etc. Some pile of stuff. It filled my duffle bag to the top. Also rifle & bayonet. Lee-Enfield Rifle stamped "Winchester model 1917." There is a colored regt near us & white regts by the dozen.

This is some camp! I never saw so many men & horses, wagons, etc. A troop train left yesterday for somewhere. I saw 2 pull out of

H.C. Drigley
Belleville
Pa.

Mrs. Henry C. Drigley
Belleville
Pa.

After.....days, return to
same old address
Co.....Regt.....
Hancock Branch,
AUGUSTA, GEORGIA.

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Mrs. H.C. Drigley
Belleville
Penn.



After 5 days, return to
THE DEAN,
AMSTOWN, N.H.

